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**WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OUR READERS A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS**

# TAKE CARE OF IT

THE Archbishop of Canterbury today makes an impassioned Christmas appeal for mankind to care more about the world.

In a special message to Kent on Sunday readers, Dr Rowan Williams refers to recent talks in Bali on climate change.

He calls on people to help address global warming, even if that means making sacrifices.

Delegates from more than 180 countries attended the UN's Climate Change Conference earlier this month, but Dr Williams suggests one vital message was missing at the summit.

"It would have been good to hear, from time to time, a reminder that this world, this material world whose stability and welfare seems so threatened, is a world that God loves," he says.

By **JAMIE MCGINNES**

"And if God loves it, why don't we? Or at least, why don't we act as if we did?"

The archbishop, who is the head of the Anglican Communion, which has 77 million members across the world, goes on to say: "May you all sense something of God's own delight this Christmas, his joy in the world he has made, the world he's constantly nurturing and drawing forward in love. A very happy and blessed Christmas to all of you."

In another message in this newspaper, Dr Michael Nazir-Ali, the Bishop of Rochester, reminds readers why we celebrate Christmas.



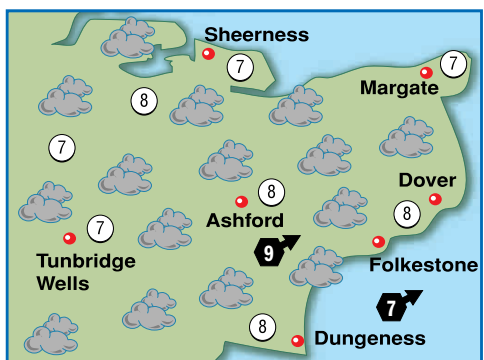


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## Kent today



**TODAY:** It is going to be mainly dry but fairly cloudy. The day will start damp with mist on hills but it will brighten up occasionally later. Light south-westerly winds. Max temp 6-8C (43-46F).

**TONIGHT:** It will be dry but with mainly cloudy skies. Gentle southerly winds. Min temp 2-5C (36-41F).

## Around Britain

		°C	°F			°C	°F
Aberdeen	cloudy	6	43	London	cloudy	6	43
Belfast	cloudy	8	46	Liverpool	cloudy	6	43
Birmingham	cloudy	7	45	Manchester	cloudy	4	39
B'mouth	mist	5	41	Newcastle	cloudy	6	43
Bristol	cloudy	9	48	Norwich	fair	5	41
Cardiff	cloudy	7	45	Oxford	mist	6	43
Cork	cloudy	9	48	Southsea	cloudy	7	45
Edinburgh	cloudy	7	45	S'hampton	cloudy	6	43
Glasgow	cloudy	7	45	Southport	sun	7	45
Isle of Man	cloudy	9	48	Swansea	cloudy	8	46
Leeds	cloudy	4	39	Torquay	cloudy	8	46







## Sun & moon

Sunrise	8.00am	Sunset	3.48pm	Lighting up times:
Moonrise	2.40pm	Moonset	7.55am	3.48pm to 8.01am

## High Tides

	today	tomorrow
	ht (m)	ht (m)
Dover	09.50 6.5 22.27 6.5	10.45 6.6 23.18 6.6
Margate	10.53 4.5 23.27 4.5	11.51 4.7 - -
St Mary's	03.30 5.5 15.59 5.5	04.23 5.7 16.51 5.6

## Week ahead

 <b>monday</b> Cloudy. Dry. max 8C min 5C	 <b>thursday</b> Overcast. max 9C min 7C
 <b>tuesday</b> Patchy rain. max 8C min 5C	 <b>friday</b> Rain at times. max 9C min 5C
 <b>wednesday</b> Cloudy. Dry. max 8C min 6C	 <b>saturday</b> Cloudy. Dry. max 8C min 4C

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# Firm chosen for £600m school revamp

ONE of the country's biggest property developers has been picked to deliver a £600 million revamp of 15 Kent secondary schools by 2014.

Land Securities Trillium, in partnership with IT company Northgate Information Solutions, has been chosen as the county council's preferred bidder to refurbish or rebuild 15 secondary schools in Gravesend, Swale and Thanet.

The deal is expected to be finalised by June next year.

KCC will pay around 10 per cent of the estimated £600m cost, with the rest due to come from central Government.

Three of the schools will be funded by a £68m Private Finance Initiative (PFI), in which the initial bill is paid by the developer. The taxpayer then repays that bill, with interest, over 25 years.

## Innovative

The schools are St John's Roman Catholic school, Thamesview and Northfleet Technology College, all of which are to be completely demolished and rebuilt.

The other 12 schools will be funded by 'Design and Build' schemes, in which the developer is paid to design and build the schools, but has no involvement in their operation.

PFI deals, such as the one that funded Darent Valley Hospital in Dartford, have proved controversial in the past with developers making huge profits by refinancing the deals and ramping up charges for ongoing maintenance.

Paul Carter, KCC leader, said the council had a good track record with PFI schemes and insisted costs would not spiral.

He said: "There are good contracts and bad contracts, and these are good contracts."

By **PHIL REILLY**

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We have had a very good team of officers working on them and we've done our due diligence to the nth degree."

He said the deal would not only transform the schools but also make the curriculum "more innovative and exciting".

The deal is the first phase of a £1.8 billion 15-year Building Schools for the Future (BSF) project to revamp all of Kent's secondary schools.

The second phase will be for secondary schools in Ashford, Canterbury, Dover and Shepway, while the third will apply to schools in Dartford, Maidstone, Sevenoaks, Tonbridge and Tunbridge Wells.

The Government introduced the BSF programme with the aim of rebuilding or modernising every secondary school in England in the next 15 years.

Land Securities Trillium manages 170 schools and around 50 acute and community hospitals and medical centres in the UK, although none are in Kent. It also builds and manages shopping centres, supermarkets and, in one case, an army barracks.

Many of these are run through PFI schemes, and the company made an operating profit of £98.8m in 2006-07.

The companies will now form a Local Education Partnership with KCC and government agency Partnerships for Schools to deliver the project, giving the council a voice in the decision-making process as it continues.

KCC said the partnership would ensure the school buildings remained in public hands.

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Readers can donate online to our appeal by visiting our website, [www.kentkids-forchristmas.co.uk](http://www.kentkids-forchristmas.co.uk).

## Tree lights did not cause deaths

THE fire that caused the deaths of a mother and her young daughter was not caused by the lights on their Christmas tree, police have confirmed.

Theresa Dunn and her nine-year-old daughter Emily died in the blaze at their home in Quern Road, Deal yesterday.

More than 20 firefighters rushed to the scene at around 5.45am. They were able to extinguish the flames, but when inspecting the two-storey house they found the bodies of the mother and daughter.

There had been reports it was caused by faulty Christmas tree lights, but a Kent police spokeswoman said that was not the case. She added: "The cause is still being investigated and we are looking at a possible electrical source."

Police forensics officers are assisting the fire service with their investigation.

Anyone with any information is asked to contact Kent police on 01304 240055.

## Churchill loses cancer battle

THE granddaughter of Sir Winston Churchill has died on the same day her son was sentenced for drugs charges in Australia.

Arabella Spencer Churchill died aged 58 at her home in Glastonbury, Somerset on Thursday after a lengthy battle with pancreatic cancer.

On the same day, her 34-year-old son Nicholas Jake Barton was sentenced to at least 20 months in jail for his part in the supply of £6.5 million of Ecstasy tablets.

The drugs were found at a property Barton had sublet in Sydney. The sentence was backdated to Barton's arrest earlier this year and he is eligible for parole in February.

Ms Spencer Churchill was expected to live until April and Judge Colin Charteris had said the sentence was a chance to "temper justice with mercy", giving Barton the opportunity to visit her before she died.

## Man dies in custody of police

A MAN has died in custody in Ashford police station.

The 71-year-old man, who has not been named, became unwell and collapsed shortly after officers took him into custody on Thursday, said police.

He was taken by ambulance to the William Harvey Hospital in Ashford and was later pronounced dead.

Kent Police initially referred the case to the Independent Police Complaints Commission to look into.

But it was later handed back to Kent Police to investigate.

The spokesman said the man's next of kin have been informed.

He said a post mortem had been held and an inquest would be opened.

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# Christmas is coming

**The head of the Anglican church and some of the county's most prominent Christian leaders offer their special Christmas messages to the readers of Kent on Sunday**

**G**OD so loved the world that he gave his only son. It's one of the best-known and best-loved verses of the whole bible, and it's often in people's minds around Christmas.

For a lot of people indeed it's so familiar that they miss how startling it is.

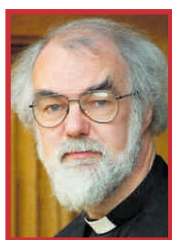
God really loved the world, not just a bit of it, not only the good people and the nice things, but the whole world; the whole universe of stars and silk worms and electrons, and human beings.

And the result of his love was action – he didn't sit there feeling good, enjoying a pleasant emotion, but stepped into the world so that his love would make a difference. And his action involved a great cost as real love so often does.

In recent weeks, with the discussions around the Bali conference on climate change and the rising levels of concern about how our environment generally is being reshaped by our human habits of consumption, it would have been good to hear, from time to time, a reminder that this world, this material world whose stability and welfare seems so threatened, is a world that God loves.

And if God loves it, why don't we? Or at least, why don't we act as if we did? If

By  
**DR ROWAN WILLIAMS**  
the Archbishop  
of Canterbury



Christmas reminds us of how God sees the whole of our world, not just human beings, but the whole physical universe of which they are an inseparable part, it should remind us that we're called to reflect that love, and above all to act in a way that shows it clearly even though this will mean sacrifice.

But what strengthens us to face this is the simple fact we started from – we are loved, we are object of God's delight and joy, and our love for creation as well for each other is the overflowing of this joy.

So may you all sense something of God's own delight this Christmas, his joy in the world he has made, the world he's constantly nurturing and drawing forward in love.

A very happy and blessed Christmas to all of you.

**T**HE promise of the coming of Jesus is like the coming of light to darkness.

When we feel we have been let down by those who love or protect us, then Jesus appears as the true shepherd or pastor of his people.

He knows his flock and is known by them. He has compassion on those left without a shepherd and draws them to himself.

Jesus said his Kingdom is not of this world. He was an ordinary person from an ordinary family living at an extraordinary time in history and yet no one has encountered God so close up as they did in Jesus.

This is why we continue to celebrate Christmas.

In Jesus, God is with us to heal, encourage and transform.

The miracle is that the promised King who came on Christmas Day still comes today.

You can meet him by reading the Bible, as Christians gather to break bread and drink wine together; you can meet him through

By  
**DR MICHAEL NAZIR-ALI**  
the Bishop of Rochester



another person and, of course, he discloses himself directly to us.

Of course, we cannot separate Christmas from Good Friday and Easter.

When we have done our worst, when the world wants to self-destruct, we find that God is saviour and redeemer.

Praise be to God for the wideness of his mercy, but let us begin with ourselves.

At this Christmas time, is the promise of Jesus becoming real in our lives?

Let us pray that the promised one will come this Christmas and throughout the coming year.

By  
**ROBERT WILLIS**  
the Dean of Canterbury



if there is a sense that all our preparations will not be ready by Christmas Day.

The celebrations and the giving and receiving of Christmas time will remind us of God's sharing of our human life 2,000 years ago when Christ was born.

The lessons and carols of Christmas assure us that God is still on our side whatever the problems we have to face.

May you and all your family have a joyful Christmas and a happy New Year.



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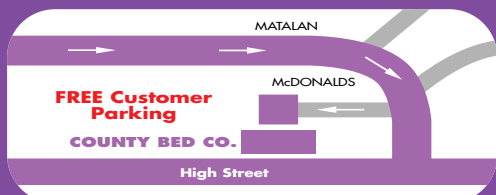
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# ASW workers to get pension compensation in £2.9bn fund

By **JAMIE MCGINNES**

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NOT long after the collapse of Allied Steel and Wire in April 2002, steelworkers whose pensions shared the firm's fate met with a government minister.

It was a gloomy meeting with the then Pensions Minister Ian McCartney. When they asked him what the Government could do to help, he was blunt.

"I can offer you little hope," he told them. "In fact, I can offer very little hope at all."

Andrew Parr, 63, from Minster on the Isle of Sheppey, was one of the former ASW steelworkers who heard Mr McCartney's bleak assessment. This week, he recounted the minister's words after the Government finally bowed to pressure and agreed to fund a £2.9 billion compensation package.

The cash, announced by Work and Pensions Secretary Peter Hain on Monday, will benefit hundreds of workers left without their pensions when ASW's Sheerness and Cardiff plants went bust, as well as thousands more across the country in similar circumstances.

But the victory was hard won.

Former steelworkers from Kent, including Mr Parr, set up the Pensions Action Group with the help of pensions consultant Dr Ros Altmann, to spearhead a national campaign.

They have met with successive ministers, mounted an all-night vigil in Whitehall opposite Downing Street and even stripped off at several Labour and Tory party conferences.

When the news they have been waiting for the last five years finally came this week, it was a shock.

## Understanding

The latest media reports suggested Prime Minister Gordon Brown had blocked any rescue package.

Speculation was rife he had fallen out with Mr Hain and Pensions Minister Mike O'Brien over the compensation plans that have now been approved.

However, the ministers this week announced that they would restore 90 per cent of pensions lost by about 140,000 people whose employers went bust.

Former ASW worker, John Hayter, from Herne Bay, was angry the Government is not providing 100 per cent compensation and that it will not be index linked. He told Kent on Sunday: "This is not justice at all."

For Mr Parr, who was due to retire a year ago, the announcement was a welcome one – but he remains unimpressed with the way Mr Brown has treated the pensioners, as the nation's premier and, before that, its iron-fisted Chancellor.

"Our understanding is this scheme is the hard work of Peter Hain and Mike O'Brien," said Mr Parr. "It's been fought all the way against Gordon Brown."

Mr Parr added: "We haven't got 100 per cent and no doubt there will be people who say we should have fought on for 100 per cent, but it was politically the realistic solution."

He will now receive about £10,000 a year



**STANDING PROUD:** ASW workers protest over the Government's lack of help earlier this year

of the £12,200 pension he was originally due.

Campaigners plan to have a party next year to celebrate the victory. It will be a moment many, including Mr Parr, were beginning to think they would never see.

"When we first started in 2002, I thought the problem would be solved very quickly," he said. "(But) it seemed the Government wasn't prepared to admit the legislation was bad. A year or so ago I began to get down about it and think we were fighting for nothing, but now it's come as a very pleasant surprise."

When the full implications for his pension hit home in 2002, Mr Parr and other campaigners were forced to adjust to a life under the media spotlight.

He thanked Kent on Sunday for publicising the pensioners' battle.

"The support from the media has been one of the things that has helped to embarrass the Government and win it," he said.

"Without the support the press has given we wouldn't have got anywhere."

As with Mr Parr, this week's announcement was a bittersweet moment for his local MP Derek Wyatt.

The Labour member for Sittingbourne and Sheppey said he has devoted more time to the campaign than any other issue during his decade as a MP, yet received hate mail from many former ASW workers after he voted against proposals to reimburse them in July.

Mr Wyatt and other MPs in the House of Commons opposed an amendment to the Pensions Bill, which he felt was unworkable.

This week, Mr Wyatt welcomed the new compensation deal, telling this newspaper: "It's taken five years, but we've got there. I'm delighted."

Mr Wyatt said many pensioners became disillusioned with the political process after the Government rejected a damning report by the Parliamentary Ombudsman Ann Abraham on the issue. Published in March 2006, it found the Government guilty of maladministration.

"Why we couldn't just accept the view of the Ombudsman – I think that was just damaging," said Mr Wyatt.



**LONG WAIT:** Andrew Parr did not think he would ever see any money

## Festive hope for children at Caldecott Foundation

CARERS at a Kent children's home are working hard to put the magic back into Christmas for more than 40 youngsters who have suffered cruelty and mistreatment, *writes Jenna Pudelek.*

The Caldecott Foundation in Smeeth, near Ashford, provides a home and schooling for children aged five to 16 years old who are known to be among the three per cent most damaged children in the UK.

Pauline Winlow, head of care at the home, said: "Everyone works extra hard to ensure the children have a day to remember."

She said Christmas was a time of "mixed emotions" for the children.

Although they have been rescued from their terrifying pasts the emotional wounds take a long time to heal.

But there is plenty of laughter and fun at this time of year and already some children have been taken to London to see the musical *We Will Rock You*, she said.

Others enjoyed the panto *Aladdin* at the Marlowe Theatre in Canterbury.

The youngsters sit down to a traditional turkey lunch on Christmas Day with 40 staff to offer care and support – and help unwrap all their presents.

Businessman Lloyd James, from near Ashford, has adopted Caldecott as one of his main charities for 2008.

A Christmas party was held at Boys Hall, Mr James' 17th century Jacobean manor house, for the younger children to celebrate.



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**BENEATH** the Garden of England lie the remains of past civilisations from the earliest period of human history to the emergence of the Kingdom of Kent and beyond.

The archaeological richness of the county is explored in a new book that reveals how each new development in Kent, both major and minor, brings us closer to the past.

The Archaeology of Kent to AD 800 is edited by John Williams, who is head of heritage conservation at Kent County Council.

He said archaeology was being discovered everywhere the growth agenda has an impact.

"We have been able to revise our story and get it up to date but the archaeological work is ongoing and we will continue to get major new contributions to the story of Kent."

"Sites are coming up all the time – even since the book has been published there have been some wonderful finds."

"At the A2 south of Gravesend, two very rich early Roman graves were discovered and there were some prehistoric field systems and Anglo-Saxon remains at Ebbsfleet."

### Discoveries

Part of Mr Williams' job at KCC is to ensure the county's archaeological heritage is safeguarded and investigated through the planning process.

With 160,000 new homes planned for the Thames Gateway and areas including Ashford and Maidstone undergoing major growth, he has his work cut out.

Mr Williams told how Kent's archaeology is unique because of the county's proximity to mainland Europe.

Britain used to be a peninsula with the North Downs continuing uninterrupted into northern France. During later periods of prehistory and carrying on into modern time, links across the Channel have continued with the arrival of the Romans and the Normans.

"Kent is one of the key places. There were a lot of Stone Age discoveries in North Kent on the farmland near the gravel of the Thames," he said.

Swanscombe was home to the oldest human remains in the country until a recent find in Sussex. The skull was from a woman believed to be 400,000 years old.

Iron Age, Roman and Anglo-Saxon discoveries have been made in Canterbury, which has layers of past generations beneath the foundations of modern stores.

The redevelopment of the Whitefriars shopping centre from 2000 to 2003 allowed archaeologists to carry out a large-scale excavation of medieval and Roman Canterbury.

Jewellery and personal items dating from Anglo-Saxon times show that Kentish fashions in the sixth to seventh century were a fusion of Scandinavian forms and other



**STYLE:** Dress fittings from a grave in Finglesham near Sandwich, which include a Scandinavian square-headed brooch and Frankish bird brooches

# Hidden past that's being uncovered every day

Continental modes of decoration.

The use and availability of luxury materials marks out Kent from the rest of England, said Mr Williams.

Pendants found in grave in Sibbertswold near Dover include two imported gold coins, garnet and amethyst cabochons, which are gem stones that have been shaped and polished, and decorated millefiori – or coloured – glass.

The pendants and necklaces found unearthed would not look out of place adorning a modern woman, but they are more than 1,300 years old.

Mr Williams said: "The book offers some-

thing for both those with a real interest in archaeology and it is hoped that people with a more general interest in Kent and its past will be attracted by it.

"The joy is its accessibility and that is what we were aiming for."

The book is packed full of colour illustrations and accurate drawings that recreate archaeological sites and digs.

Contributors include Martin Millett, who is Laurence Professor of classical archaeology at Cambridge University, a specialist in the social and economic change in the Roman world.

Francis Wenban-Smith, a principal



**BAND OF GOLD:** Middle Bronze Age gold torcs – rigid necklaces – from the River Medway at Aylesford on show at the Maidstone Museum



**CAN YOU DIG IT?** Excavation of medieval and Roman Canterbury at the site of the Whitefriars shopping centre

research fellow in the department of archaeology at the University of Southampton, who is currently leading the Medway Valley Palaeolithic Project also contributed.

The book costs £25. It is published by Kent County Council and Boydell Press and is available from all good bookshops. Copies can also be ordered from Business Support, Heritage Conservation Kent County Council, Second Floor, Invicta House, Maidstone, ME14 1XX.

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# Charity backs call for dementia help groups

A CONSULTANT psychiatrist is calling on his colleagues in Kent to provide extra support for people with dementia.

Dr Satvir Singh has set up a self-help group for his patients in Shepway.

He said the group was helping to arrest the symptoms and devastating effects of diseases like Alzheimer's and depression.

His calls have been backed by the national charity, the Alzheimer's Society.

Clive Evers, the society's director of knowledge management, said: "Staying active and spending time with friends and families is crucial to people with dementia and their carers."

"It is encouraging to hear about an old-age psychiatrist developing support networks for people with dementia and their carers."

"There are 700,000 people [in the UK] living with the condition, millions more carers and these numbers are continuing to rise."

Dr Singh said that group members had already shown signs of improvement.

Such claims are backed by the findings of a study published in The Lancet medical journal which showed that socialising with family and friends could reduce the effects of Alzheimer's disease.

Dr Singh said: "I would like to see groups set up everywhere."

"I believe they should be widely available – I would call on other consultants to take the lead and set up these kinds of groups. It is not time consuming – it is only once a month – and it gives the patients so many benefits."

The group also helps elderly people with depression and anxiety who feel isolated and have difficulties socialising.

"The aim was to provide a group so that people with similar problems were not alone

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and were sharing their concerns and also becoming part of a small group.

"The outcome is that people are meeting up and developing friendships," Dr Singh said.

There are now around 29 members, including carers who the psychiatrist said also benefited from getting together socially.

The Hythe Imperial Hotel in Hythe, where the group meets, provides lunch and coffee for a discounted price.

Emma Ransley, a manager at the hotel, said: "We support the local community in any way we can and we are happy to help. They enjoyed Christmas lunch this week and we are glad it's been such a success."

Dr Singh said: "At the lunch the patients spoke about how wonderful they felt."

"It does not matter what mental health disorder they have, people must not be excluded from normal surroundings and activities."

He created the group after many of the outpatients attending a clinic he was running in Hythe said they felt lonely.

They did not want to go to groups run by Age Concern or residential nursing homes because they did not feel their symptoms were far enough advanced.

"With early dementia, time is the first thing that goes and then short-term memory. But they have the same personality and the ability to wash and dress themselves," said the doctor.

"When it is advanced, people cannot wash themselves, they lose bladder control, do not know where they are and forget their name or even that they have had children."

"It can be very frightening to see a person

in the last stages. It makes them demoralised and fearful that they may end up like that," Dr Singh said.

Fearing their condition would decline and deteriorate was terrifying for patients and the group was focused on sharing those fears but also enjoying friendships.

Alzheimer's disease, which has no cure, has affected a number of people in the public eye including the novelist Iris Murdoch.

The much-loved author Terry Pratchett, 59, announced last week that he had a form of early Alzheimer's disease.

In a statement called 'An Embuggerance', Pratchett said that he was taking the news "fairly philosophically down here and possibly with a mild optimism".



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■ PETE Doherty has spoken of his "honour" of sharing the stage at a Kent pub with Cockney pop rockers Chas 'n' Dave. The wayward former Libertines singer said performing with them at the Tap'n'Tin in Chatham was a dream come true. Around 250 people crowded into the venue to see the gig last Saturday. Doherty had watched

the Londoners' set from the side of the stage, having performed as the warm-up act. The 28-year-old played a number of Libertines and Babyshambles tracks, before making way for his heroes to take over. After the performance Doherty said: "I was honoured to have shared the bill with Chas 'n' Dave".

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# The 'Fleming Man' spy whose story is coming in from the cold at last



By **PHIL REILLY**

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AFTER Antony Terry's death in 1992, Judith Lenart found herself sitting at her stepfather's desk, arranging his funeral.

She came across a bundle of letters, which included a file marked 'Fleming'.

Inside was a series of handwritten correspondence from Ian Fleming, the creator of James Bond.

Reading through the letters, suspicion arose within her. Had her stepfather been a spy?

And so began an investigation into the background of a man who was at times a war hero, a foreign correspondent and, it seems, and agent for MI6.

Her painstaking inquiries led to her writing a book, now published, called *Berlin to Bond and Beyond - The Story of a Fleming Man*.

It tells how Terry had been recruited by Fleming as an intelligence officer and posted to various European countries under the guise of a foreign correspondent with the Sunday Times.

## Adventure

Fleming ran an intelligence agency called Mercury which used foreign correspondents working for the Sunday Times' parent company Kemsley Newspapers, for which he was foreign manager, as spies.

The former SIS and MI6 agent Anthony Cavendish described the relationship in his book *Inside Intelligence*. He wrote: "At the end of the war a number of MI6 agents were sent abroad under the cover of newspapermen. Indeed the Kemsley Press allowed many of their foreign correspondents to cooperate with MI6 and even took on MI6 operatives as foreign correspondents."

Fleming lived for a period in St Margaret's Bay in a house he bought from his friend Noel Coward, who, it was revealed recently, also acted as a spy for the British in Europe and America.

While some readers believe the character of Bond was largely based on Terry, Miss Lenart claimed his influence was more keenly felt in Fleming's more peripheral characters.

She told Kent on Sunday: "I see Antony Terry more as the sort of person who was helping Bond, rather than Bond himself."

## Ian Fleming

"He would have been an authority who James Bond could rely on to know the scene and organise the right meetings in the right places. Like the journalist figure who helps Bond when he has his Japanese adventure in *You Only Live Twice*. That was Antony. Bond was much more Fleming himself."

"If you think of a spy as somebody on the payroll I don't think it would be fair to label him that, but if you think of a spy as someone who has connections to intelligence agencies and provides them with information and, on occasion, gets information in return then I'd say that's a pretty accurate description of Antony."

Miss Lenart's late mother Edith started seeing Terry in 1972 when they were both living in Paris; they married in 1985 and moved to New Zealand.

She did not know if her mother ever knew the full extent of her husband's work. But, with hindsight, she said there were clues that she probably did.

"I honestly don't know what my mother knew," said Miss Lenart. "When I became more aware of his background, certain comments my mother had made to me made sense when they seemed innocuous at the time."

"She certainly knew he had a past in intelligence, but did she know he was still actively engaged right up until the day he died? I'm not sure."

When going through the letters, it was only when she found correspondence with a man called Anthony Duvall that she realised Terry was a spy.

"It became clear he was the intermediary between Antony and MI6, he was organising the contacts in New Zealand. It seems to me like Antony never had a direct thing where he rang up the firm in London, at least not since the 1950s when his role as a full-time operative came to an end."

"I think he was in contact always through somebody else, and Anthony Duvall was one of those people."

Finding the letters inspired Miss Lenart to tell Terry's story in a book.

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his early life in Berlin where his father worked at the British Consulate, learning German fluently in the process.

After a stint as a junior reporter on the London-based Sunday Dispatch, he volunteered for active service at the start of World War Two and was drafted into the intelligence service. He was made a lieutenant and put his language skills to good use interrogating German prisoners of war.

He was awarded the Military Cross for his actions in St Nazaire, France, and in German prisoner of war camps.

Immediately after the war he took part in the search and arrest of Nazi war criminals all over Europe.

In 1947 he started working for Fleming at Kemsley Newspapers and it is at this time Miss Lenart claims his spy work began.

He was posted to a number of European cities, including Berlin, Budapest and Vienna, as a foreign correspondent.

After the wedding in 1985, Terry moved to Edith's native New Zealand, apparently to be closer to her children.

### Churchill

In 1988, Wellington Confidential published an article claiming Terry's presence in New Zealand was "certain evidence of the rage Whitehall is maintaining over New Zealand's nuclear-free defence policy". He denied the story, claiming he had not worked in intelligence since 1949.

Miss Lenart refuted this, and claimed Terry had been working part-time for MI6 right up until his death, meeting a go-between in Wellington on a regular basis.

Private Eye also published an article about Terry in 1992 suggesting he may have had ulterior motives for being in New Zealand. Despite an angry letter in response from the subject, the satirical publication did not print an apology.

Fleming had been recruited to work in naval intelligence during World War Two, rising to the rank of commander.

He was involved in the planning of many military operations, and it has been suggested he was behind the plan to lure Rudolph Hess to Scotland in May, 1941, for talks with Winston Churchill.

One of the letters Miss Lenart uncovered was from Fleming in 1963, in which he described Terry as "a good friend, and one of the finest foreign correspondents I have ever known - and I mean it".

Miss Lenart said Fleming had been impressed with the young Mr Terry because he saw him as "a risk taker".

"I think Ian thought that, but I wouldn't describe him as that," Miss Lenart added.

"He was a man who had little regard for his own personal safety. When he was in Budapest during the uprising in 1956 he would wander around in the street with Russian tanks just to see if a guy had a bazooka or not.

"When he got the Military Cross he had been running around in a German-occupied place with a handgun and had not been at all worried about his own safety."

Terry proved a valuable source for Fleming when he was writing the Bond books, advising him about German V2 rockets for Moonraker and details of Berlin for The Living Daylights.

Having pieced together her stepfather's life



Antony Terry

like "a vast jigsaw" from the letters, Miss Lenart set about finding a publisher.

She posted a copy of the manuscript to former British intelligence officer Geoffrey Elliott, author of I Spy and co-author of Secret Classrooms: An Untold Story of the Cold War, whom she

knew to have connections at MI6, to check its veracity.

Mr Elliott came back to her with only minor changes and asked for some addresses to be removed.

• **Berlin to Bond and Beyond - The Story of a Fleming Man (Athena Press) is available now from amazon.co.uk.**

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## Flyover to be demolished

THE CHATHAM flyover will be demolished and replaced with a £5 million bus station.

Medway Council's cabinet approved the plans for the Sir John Hawkins flyover on Tuesday.

The decision ended months of debate over the location of the

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The flyover was closed when Chatham's two-way road system was launched in September 2006.

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# Protestors turn up heat on plans for Kingsnorth

ENVIRONMENTALISTS have warned that building a new coal-fired power station in Kent would mean the Prime Minister has "surrendered" on carbon emissions targets.

Plans by energy company E.ON to replace the four-unit coal-fired power station at Kingsnorth with a new two-unit one are currently being considered by Medway Council. Should it support the plans, they would then go to the Government for ultimate approval next year and the plant could be operational by 2012 or 2013.

More than 9,000 people have objected to the project.

In a letter to The Independent newspaper, John Sauven, executive director of Greenpeace UK, warned Britain would not be able to meet its environmental targets if Kingsnorth was given the go-ahead.

He wrote: "Giving the green light to Kingsnorth – and other stations – will lock Britain into huge carbon emissions for decades and signal Mr Brown's surrender on the 80 per cent target [for cutting emissions by 2050]."

"This generation of coal-fired power stations will account for half of Britain's permissible carbon emissions in 2050 if Mr Brown goes for an 80 per cent target."

"The hope that Kingsnorth will be 'ready' to adopt carbon capture and storage (CCS) technology in the future is a triumph of hope over experience."

In October, activists staged a protest at the site, with several climbing up the 200ft smoke stack and chaining themselves to the station's conveyor belt.

Mr Sauven added: "The irony is that last

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month, Mr Brown restated his commitment to meet the EU target of producing 20 per cent of all our energy from renewable sources by 2020. If Britain meets this target, we would never need dinosaurs like Kingsnorth."

Emily Highmore, spokeswoman for E.ON, said the new Kingsnorth station would produce two million tons of carbon dioxide less every year than the existing plant.

She said: "That is equal to taking half a million cars off UK roads every year."

"Kingsnorth will be 20 per cent more efficient than existing plants. That is a significant amount."

"We need a mix of power, including coal-fired and gas-fired power stations, renewable technologies and new nuclear technologies. There is no one answer."

Miss Highmore insisted the new station would be ready for CCS technology to be installed when it is available. She also said heat produced by the new station could be used to heat 50,000 new homes in what she called a 'direct heating scheme'.

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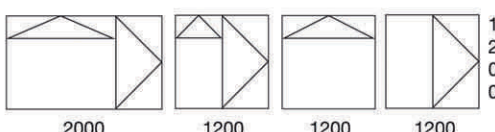
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ASHFORD and its surrounding areas could be "sullied by ill-considered, poorly executed development on a massive scale", according to a damning new report.

At least 31,000 homes and 28,000 jobs are planned for the area by 2031, virtually doubling the size of the town.

The report by the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) warned that "the same old town planning mistakes of the past risk being repeated".

Dr Hilary Newport, director of CPRE Kent, said the development had the potential to make Ashford "an exemplar" in how to build sustainable 21st century communities but raised fears that the project could be losing its way.

### Housing

She said the group had "major concerns" about infrastructure, jobs and housing.

Dr Newport said: "We must push for the creation of a thriving, energetic town, not a commuter dormitory which relies on the job markets of London or beyond."

"The growth in the number of jobs in Ashford is falling far short of the growth in its homes. Worse still, those jobs that are being created appear to focus heavily on the retail sector, rather than the high skill, high value professions that Ashford needs to create a thriving economy."

She also pointed to the abandonment of the plan to build a new Discovery Centre as "an early symptom of the widening gap between aspiration and achievement".

According to the report's con-

clusion, the CPRE still "wholeheartedly believes" that Ashford has the potential to grow in an economically and environmentally sustainable way.

However, it warned: "With every day that passes development is taking place in the town far below the often excellent standards which are promoted in the Sustainable Communities Plan and related documents. If this situation persists... the same old town planning mistakes of the past risk being repeated."

Cllr Paul Clokie, leader of Ashford Borough Council and regeneration quango Ashford's Future, said he was confident the plan would produce homes that people wanted to live in.

He said: "It is never going to be easy planning to double the size of a town but we have taken a community-based approach to our masterplanning to ensure Ashford has quality places that local people have helped to design."

However, Cllr Clokie questioned the report's figures and insisted job creation was keeping up with housing provision.

He said investors continued to be attracted to the town and not only in the retail sector, and cited Eureka Park and the forthcoming County Square site as examples of places where jobs are being created.

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# Boy George's homecoming tour

BOY George is to perform two shows in Kent as part of his new UK tour.

The 46-year-old singer, who comes from Eltham, takes his Songs That Make You Dance And Cry show to Dartford and Margate in February.

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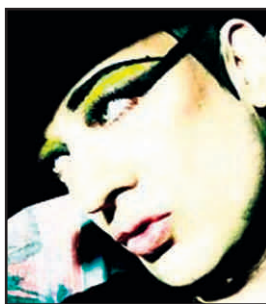
The singer, whose real name is George Alan O'Dowd, rose to fame in the early 1980s after the hit Do You Really Want To Hurt Me?

The band, part of the New Romantic movement, was for a while one of the most popular

in the world and sold millions of records.

A spokesman for the artist said: "Boy George's unique vocals are instantly recognisable and have been responsible for the sale of millions of albums worldwide."

"The man whose unique style has always been as important as his music and whose clever, witty responses to boorish questions have in turn thrilled and horrified his huge audience, has remained in the public eye for 25 years; his international career as DJ and musician, his fashion label B-Rude and his colourful off-stage life have, it could be argued, kept some newspapers in business for a long time."



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To enter, simply answer the question below and send your entry on a postcard along with your email address (if applicable), name, address, and daytime telephone number to Bluewater Competition, KOS Media, Apple Barn, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent TN25 6SR. Closing date is January 20, 2008.

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# On yer trike, mush



**HOWL:** Huskies take a lot of hard work if they are successfully to be kept as pets, say the experts at Eagle Heights near Eynsford

TEARING through the countryside on a trike pulled by a team of huskies is an experience both animal lovers and adrenaline junkies would love.

It may seem more suited to an alpine adventure, but husky racing can be enjoyed at an animal rescue park in Kent.

Jonny Ames is the centre manager at Eagle Heights near Eynsford, and owner of the Husky Experience.

He said: "I found out about husky racing after we got offered a couple of rescue dogs and when we got them we did a bit of driving. Then I got the idea of doing rides."

Since its launch two years ago, the venture has grown in popularity and the 21-year-old said weekends are fully booked until the end of the season in February.

'Mushers' – the name given to someone who drives a team of dogs – can tear

By **JENNA PUDELEK**

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around the four-mile course with an instructor taking in the beautiful views over the county.

Or, and Mr Ames said this was not for the faint hearted, people could learn the art of mushing and take control of the trike themselves.

Two teams go around the track at one time and Mr Ames said he plans to an extra ride a day to meet demand.

He added: "The dogs love it because they love to run."

Mr Ames' father Alan is the director of the animal refuge centre, which he set up 11 years ago.

Proud of the success of his son's venture, he told this newspaper: "I said 'if you can come up

with a good idea for the park then I'll help you'. He came up with the huskies and it's been a roaring success.

"He grew up with animals. We used to have eagles in the back garden before I set up this place."

There are 20 huskies at the centre. Most are likely to arrive from centres like Battersea Dogs Home.

He added: "A lot of people don't realise what they are taking on. [The dogs are] very lively and they can trash people's houses if they are left on their own."

"They are the next best thing to a wolf – they howl and it's their nearest relative."

For more information visit [www.thehusky-experience.co.uk](http://www.thehusky-experience.co.uk).



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TEN people were arrested for drink driving over the weekend. The arrests came as part of the Safer Winter campaign, in which police are conducting regular stop checks to catch motorists driving whilst under the influence. Out of the 10 arrested, six have been charged and two have been bailed pending further inquiries. These latest figures bring the number of people arrested for drink driving in mid Kent to 41 this month.



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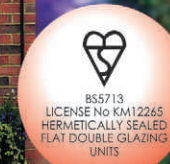
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The TMC was launched in November 2006 with one objective: 'Keep Kent moving'. It's currently being manned seven days a week in the run up to Christmas and this may be extended permanently as the centre is proving so valuable in reducing congestion.

At the centre we use a combination of CCTV, Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) and Variable Message Signs (VMS) to monitor traffic flow and journey times and to keep commuters informed of the traffic status around the county. We also coordinate traffic signals to reduce congestion, particularly when incidents and crashes occur. By collecting information about the status of the road network and by monitoring

congestion points we can take real time action to minimise disruption.

Our systems also allow us to plan for future events and we have already been involved with major events including the Tour de France. Our role is to provide information about road closures or possible congestion using the Variable Message Signs around Maidstone to give drivers the information they need to keep moving.

We are also using the VMS to work with organisations such as Kent Police to display messages from the current Drink Drive Campaign.

We don't keep all this information to ourselves though – you can check out the latest road information by logging on to the Traffic and Travel website at [www.kent.gov.uk/travel](http://www.kent.gov.uk/travel)

Our current operation is focused around Maidstone, but it is being extended to cover other parts of Kent to make journey times better for everyone.

## Calling all bikers!

We put a lot of time and effort into monitoring our road network, so we can identify any problems that could cause a safety hazard. However, we can't see everything all the time and because our monitoring vans are four-wheeled, it can mean that it's harder for us to identify problems that affect the motorcyclists out there.

That's why we're asking you to work with us, by telling us about any problems that you come across as you're riding around the county. If you spot things like a raised manhole cover, damaged road surface, or a damaged sign that you think needs attention, please tell us about it!

You can either call us on **08458 247 800** to report the problem, or log on to [www.ridewithattitude.com](http://www.ridewithattitude.com) and click on 'report a road'. If you use the website to report the problem, we will reply to you to let you know what we intend to do about it. Your report will also be posted on the website, so you and other riders can see what is being done.

To help us deal with the problem as quickly as possible, please tell us as much information as you can when reporting a problem, such as:

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- If the defect was as a result of another's actions, e.g. a sign knocked down during a crash, or mud/oil on the road, do you know who was responsible? If so, please let us know because they may need to help clear or remove the problem.

Together we can help to make Kent's roads safer for everyone.



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## Keeping Count

You may have seen what looks like a garden hose stretched across the road when you are driving around Kent and wondered what it is. It's actually a method that helps Kent Highway Services carry out surveys of the roads each year. The information we collect helps us monitor how the roads are being used and can include the numbers and types of vehicles making specific movements, vehicle speeds, and journey times between certain points.

Surveys are usually carried out automatically using either wire loops buried in the road surface, or those things that look like garden hoses stretched across the road, that are actually clever rubber tubes that record information. We also collect data manually using specially trained people positioned at the roadside.

So what's the point of the surveys? We use the data to identify and evaluate any existing problems on the road network such as congestion, excessive vehicle speeds and 'rat-running'.



We also use it to assess where problems may arise in the future.

In addition, we repeat a set of surveys each year in 14 towns across Kent and on a selection of the roads between them. We use this set of surveys to monitor the effectiveness of our transport schemes and policies, so we can continue our work to reduce congestion and keep Kent moving.

You can find out more about the work that we do by visiting our website at [www.kent.gov.uk/highways](http://www.kent.gov.uk/highways)

## Sustrans wins the public's support

Connect2, the Sustrans scheme, has won The Peoples £50 Million contest and we would like to thank everyone for their support.

This means that our three local projects, to make major improvements to walking and cycling in Kent, will benefit from a share of the funds.

## Travel Update

Below are details of roadworks that may cause some disruption. Please remember that these are planned works and other emergency works may be required.

### Gravesend

Start	Finish	Road	Reason
Current	29/2/08	Canal Road, Gravesend	Temporary traffic lights – site development works

For details of other roadworks in Kent please visit [www.kent.gov.uk/travel](http://www.kent.gov.uk/travel)



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# So proud of Kent's youth

The Queen's representative has paid tribute to the young people of Kent in his annual Christmas message.

The Lord Lieutenant Allan Willett CMG said a major summer event at Maidstone had given a "totally positive" impression of today's youth.

Mr Willett said: "Celebrating youth achievement has been the Lieutenancy's main focus throughout the past year – and how worthwhile it proved to be.

## Positive

"Inevitably the bad behaviour of a disaffected minority grabs public attention. But our major event at the County Showground, showcasing the activities of youth groups from every part of Kent, gave a totally positive view of the great majority of today's young people.

"I met selfless young carers, mentors, first-aiders, cadets and many others, all demonstrating good citizenship – and enjoying new friendships and a lot of fun in their youth organisations.

"They are our future, and through them

By **PETER BOYES**

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our county will be in good hands."

Next year, the Lieutenancy will focus on the centenary of the Territorial Army and celebrate the service of past and present volunteer reservists of all the services.

There will be linked events at Penshurst, Chatham, Maidstone, Dover and elsewhere. These will culminate in a parade and thanksgiving service at Canterbury Cathedral to honour these volunteers who, said Mr Willett, "are truly twice a citizen".

He added: "Over the festive season some of them will be serving alongside the regulars on operations in Iraq, Afghanistan and elsewhere. Our prayers are with them – and especially with their families left behind in our care and yet often forgotten by the public.

"Our thoughts, too, are with the emergency services, those caring for others, and those who are ill or alone.

"I wish all Kent on Sunday readers a happy Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous New Year."



MESSAGE: The Lord Lieutenant Allan Willett

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**A MEMBER** of the public caught two boys stealing lights from a Christmas tree.

The boys were held until the police arrived at St Alphege Church in Whitstable on Saturday evening. A police spokesman said:

"The boys aged 13 and 14 from Whitstable were taken home to their parents and police will be interviewing them about the incidents. Their parents will be asked to attend the interviews."

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## Charges after police launch early morning drugs raids

TWO men have appeared in court following raids in Gravesend.

Police said they discovered drugs, including "a large quantity" of cocaine and Viagra, after executing warrants at two addresses last Friday.

Officers said they also seized £1,700 in cash.

Joseph Beattie, 38, of St Francis Avenue, Gravesend, was charged with possession of cocaine with intent to supply.

He appeared before Medway magistrates on Saturday and was

remanded in custody.

He was due before Dartford Magistrates Court on Thursday.

Craig Hunt, 37, of Lamorna Avenue, was charged with possession of cocaine with intent to supply.

He appeared before Medway Magistrates Court on Saturday and was remanded in custody.

He was due before Dartford Magistrates Court on Thursday.

A 34-year-old man has also been bailed pending further inquiries.

# Listeners' favourite dies aged just 33

By **PETER BOYES**

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TRIBUTES have been paid to an award-winning BBC Radio Kent reporter who has died at the young age of 33.

Jonathan Witchell, of Sevenoaks, passed away on Saturday following a short illness.

Paul Leaper, the managing editor of BBC Radio Kent, said: "This has been one of the hardest weeks in Radio Kent's history.

### All-rounder

"Jonathan will be remembered as someone who loved Kent and loved radio.

"He had creative flair and scrupulous attention to detail. He was simply one of the station's best all-rounders.

"I know he'll be sorely missed by all his colleagues and listeners to BBC Radio Kent. Our hearts to go out to his family at this difficult time."

Mr Witchell joined BBC Radio Kent nearly 10 years ago as a broadcast journalist.

The corporation said he quickly became a firm favourite, gaining great affection from both listeners



**AWARD WINNER: Jonathan Witchell**

and colleagues.

Born and raised in Kent, he studied at Salford University before completing a Masters degree at Stirling University.

His broadcasting career began at Hospital Radio Bromley, followed by

stints at BBC Radio Devon and BBC Radio Lincolnshire.

He joined BBC Radio Kent in 1998 and contributed to many of the station's programmes, working with Barbara Sturgeon, Paul James and Paul Harris, among others.

Mr Witchell's documentary about James Bond in Kent won him the accolade of Kent Broadcast Journalist of the Year in 2004.

Last year, Mr Witchell spent a year working with new journalists in Sri Lanka and producing reports for the BBC World Service.

### Funeral

This summer he worked on a programme with broadcasters Dave Cash and Johnnie Walker to mark the 40th anniversary of the abolition of pirate radio.

Mr Witchell, who was single, went into hospital with a stomach complaint. The cause of his death is as yet unknown.

Details of the funeral are being confirmed.

However, if listeners wish to offer their condolences BBC Radio Kent will pass them on his family.

Write to BBC Radio Kent, The Great Hall, Mount Pleasant Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 1QQ, or email [radio.kent@bbc.co.uk](mailto:radio.kent@bbc.co.uk).

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# Police 'losing support from Middle England'

POLICING targets are alienating the middle classes, according to the head of the Police Federation.

Jan Berry, whose organisation represents 140,000 rank-and-file officers in England and Wales, said police were persecuting Middle England to improve statistics.

The Kent Police chief inspector told the Telegraph: "We've got more people counting things than we've got out there doing things. I'm not against targets per se, but we have the wrong targets."

"People who are going at 35mph in a 30mph zone at two in the morning when there are no other cars on the road are committing an offence but not as much of an offence as those doing 35mph at 4pm when the schools are just coming out. Speeding tickets are a revenue raiser. I don't think that helps the public have trust in the police."

"Targets can be healthy provided there's a balance between quality and quantity. If a murder has the same number as the theft of a Mars bar, then there's something wrong with the system."

A Home Office spokeswoman defended the use of target-led policing.

She said: "While Government targets set the strategic direction for the police service, it is for forces to exercise discretion in balancing these targets against local priorities."

"Bringing criminals to justice is a core job for the police, but officers should not pursue detection numbers for numbers' sake if that means chasing minor misdemeanours at the expense of serious offenders."

"Government targets - announced in

By **PETER BOYES**

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October - give much more prominence to tackling more serious crime, particularly the most serious violent crime."

Ms Berry, who joined the county constabulary in 1971, also reiterated the anger felt by police in the pay dispute with the Government.

A row broke out between police, including Kent's chief constable Michael Fuller, and the Government after the Home Office rejected an arbitration tribunal's recommendation that police should get a 2.5 per cent pay increase backdated to September.

## War on terror

Ms Berry, who is 53, said Home Secretary Jacqui Smith should reverse her decision or resign.

Government documents leaked this week suggested the Home Secretary plotted the confrontation with the police because of the spiralling cost of the War on Terror.

The Home Office memo, leaked to the Mail on Sunday, said if Ms Smith asked the Treasury for

more money to pay the police, it would undermine her request for more funding to fight terrorism.

The memo, from a senior civil servant in June, also said police pay was already high enough.

It said: "There is no real business case for a generous pay rise for the police this year. A constable is 36 per cent better paid than 10 years ago, and there are six applications for every police job, there are no recruitment and retention difficulties in policing (even in London), virtually uniquely in the public sector. Most police get a substantial increment each year and as well as their pay rise. We have a strong narrative to deploy publicly on all this if need be."

The memo said awarding the pay rise would undermine the Government's "strong line" on nurses' pay.

The Home Office spokeswoman added: "It is not our normal practice to comment on leaked documents but we have always been clear we faced difficult choices as part of the part of the bid for additional counter-terrorism funding and a tough negotiating position was necessary so as not to feed inflation."

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A MAN has been jailed for three-and-a-half years after sexually grooming a 14-year-old girl and smuggling her abroad. Peter Willcox, of no fixed address, took the teenager to Greece from Dover in the boot of his car in July. The 49-year-old was arrested after they were spotted in Athens in August 2006. He was jailed at Canterbury Crown Court on Monday. Willcox has already served half of a two-

year sentence in a Greek jail for child abduction. On returning to the UK he pleaded guilty to having sexual activity with a child. The court was told how the girl, who is now 16, became pregnant while she was in Greece with Willcox. Willcox's defence said that he had pleaded guilty at the earliest opportunity and had expressed remorse. The judge ordered him to sign the sex offenders' register.

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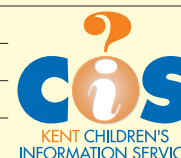
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# KENT ON SUNDAY

## COMMENT

## Pension fighters win their battle

CAMPAIGNERS like Andrew Parr who refused to give up in their battle for compensation must be congratulated this week.

They never stopped fighting after losing pensions when their firms went bust.

Many of them had paid into compulsory schemes for decades, which they had been assured were 'guaranteed' and could never fail.

Instead, they were forced to work beyond their planned retirement age to win back what was rightfully theirs.

After years of refusing to bow to pressure and compensate the pensioners, the Government has finally delivered a deal which will give the workers 90 per cent of their pensions.

But it is hard to see why Gordon Brown doesn't just award them the whole lot.

It is penny pinching on a grand scale.

## Happy Christmas

FOR most of us, Christmas will be a time when families and friends reunite to spend valuable time with each other.

Many people lead busy lives and do not always have the time to enjoy the company of loved ones.

At Christmas, which should be a time for reflection, make sure you make the effort to get along with those closest to you.

And spare a thought for those who have to spend Christmas alone.

To each and every one of you, Kent on Sunday wishes you a very Happy Christmas.

# OPINION: Dreaming of Folkestone

## ANDREA SCHLIEKER on how the town is inspiring artists

It seemed key to me that this should not be a one-off exhibition, but by repeating it every three years, Folkestone could demonstrate its ongoing commitment to furthering the debate about art in public places, and being taken seriously as a main player in the international art arena. The exhibition will include temporary as well as permanent works, so that over time a significant number of artworks will be accumulated here to maintain the focus on Folkestone as a major centre for cutting edge contemporary art.

I am delighted that we have succeeded in attracting some of the world's most exciting, renowned and emerging artists to take part in the Triennial.

The list includes this year's Turner Prize winner Mark Wallinger and fellow 2007 nominee Nathan Coley, former winner Jeremy Deller and Ivan and Heather Morison, who recently represented Wales at the Venice Biennale. There are a number of prominent UK artists who all have strong roots in the South East – like Tacita Dean, Adam Chodzko, Nils Norman, Langlands and Bell and Tracey Emin. And we are fortunate to be able to present artists who have played a pivotal role in the

development of British Sculpture over the last 30 years, like Richard Wentworth, Richard Wilson and David Batchelor.

The artists came to visit Folkestone over the course of several months in the summer of 2006. These visits were an important test for the concept of the show: it was elating to see that each artist – whether they came from Los Angeles or Lodz, from Glasgow or Sarajevo – was enchanted by Folkestone. All took their cue from what they encountered here and what they felt was special about the place. And consequently, their proposals appear connected by a strong narrative element, as each articulates the past, present and future of Folkestone in imaginative and innovative ways.

Hence the title – Tales of Time and Space – in reference to, but a slight variation on, the collection of short stories and novellas by HG Wells. This seemed to appropriately encapsulate the exhibition's message.

The artists brought together for the Triennial work in a whole range of media – from sculpture to installation, performance to sound, and photography to film. Gone are the days when bronze and stone are the exclusive materials to be used for outside locations.



But however diverse they may be they share a strong track record or affinity towards making work that engages with a specific urban situation. Art in public places has changed quite radically over the years, and many artists now prefer direct interaction and collaboration with the community, rather than creating work in the isolation of the studio.

We are also developing an extensive education programme for schools across the district and we will offer themed walks and talks, designed so that everyone – even those most sceptical about contemporary art – might be able to relate to and enjoy the works.

We believe the Triennial will put Folkestone on the wider national and international cultural map.

The Folkestone Triennial, Tales of Time and Space, will be open for three months next summer from June 14, 2008.

• **Andrea Schlieker is curator of the Folkestone Triennial.**



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### BIRTHS

#### ANTHONY

Sarah and Darran Anthony of Littlestone celebrate the birth of their beautiful baby son Kai Reece Anthony on the 24th November 2007.

#### ARNOLD

Ava Jayne born on 27th November 2007, weighing 4lb 15oz. Daughter to Paul and Pamela and sister to Archie of Maidstone.

#### BARRETT

Colin and Anne-Marie are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Caitlin on 9th December 2007. Sister to Chloe, Colin and Michael.

#### BARRY

To Miss Claire Barry of Canterbury, a beautiful daughter, Chloe Amanda Louise, born on 7th December 2007 at Ashford hospital. Chloe weighed 5lb 11oz.

#### BENTLEY

Kieran Stuart Geoffery born on 2nd December 2007, weighing 8lb 2 oz. Son to Karl and Amanda in Margate.

#### BUCKLAND

Julie and Guy Buckland of Ashford celebrate the birth of their daughter Chloe Elsie Elizabeth born on 3rd December 2007 weighing 6lb 14oz. A sister for Jason, Jade, George, Tricia and William.

#### BUXTON

Philip and Samantha Buxton of Five Oak Green celebrate the birth of their daughter Cassandra Olivia Matilda Buxton on 10th November 2007.

#### CHRISTIAN

Richard and Poonam are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Angela on 15th November 2007.

### DI CREDICO

Giuseppe and Anita are delighted to announce the birth of their son Dante Henry Arthur on 1st December 2007 weighing 5lb 13oz. You are the miracle who we will love and treasure for ever.

### FURNER

Jayden Mathew George born 11th December 2007 in Ashford brother to Madison and son to Tammy and Jason.

### GODDEN

Archie Theo born on 9th December 2007, weighing 6lb 13oz. Son to Keir and Joanna. Little brother to Harry and Lilly.

### GREENIN

Jessica Anne Christine Greenin. Born 29th November 2007. Daughter to Amanda and Phil Greenin.

### HAMMOND

Johnny and Chloe Hammond of Cranbrook, are proud to announce the arrival of their son Finlay John, born 4th December 2007 weighing 8lb 13oz.

### HANSON AND ABREY

Cassidy Sahara born on 2nd December 2007 weighing 7lb10oz. Daughter to Janine and Ian.

### HARRINGTON

Carley and Brett are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter Brooke, born on 22nd November 2007 at Darent Valley Hospital weighing 5lb 12oz.

### HARRISON

Ruby Louise born on 5th December 2007, weighing 8lb 8oz. Daughter to John and Sharon Harrison in Margate.

### HEATH

Jessie Evelyn passed away peacefully on 13th December. Funeral took place on 21st December 2007. Much missed by friends and family.

### HEMMINGS

Harriet Lindsay Hemmings born on 19th November 2007, weighing 8lb 13oz. Daughter to Alan and Carol Hemmings of Maidstone.

### HOLLETT

Lola Josie Hollett born on 1st December 2007, weighing 7lb 6oz. Daughter to Laura Watson and Michael Hollett in Margate.

### KING

Elijah and Elvy King of Stockbury celebrate the birth of their daughter Olivia Brooke King on 26th November 2007, weighing 5lb 13.5oz.

### KNIGHT

Kevin and Tracy Knight of Knockbridge are proud to announce the birth of their twin sons - Jack (7lb 6oz) and Archie (6lb 2oz) born on 5th December 2007.

### LONG

Darren and Laura of Broadstairs celebrate the birth of their daughter Macy Kay Long on 9th December 2007.

### McINTOSH

Barry and Kelly McIntosh of Maidstone celebrate the birth of their son Lewis Alexander McIntosh on the 7th December 2007.

### METCALFE

Micaiah and Alicia born on 4th December 2007. Son and daughter to Jason and Amanda in Broadstairs. Brother and sister to Joshua and Benjamin. A welcome addition to the Family.

### REID

Graham and Emma are delighted to announce the birth of their son Angus William. Angus was born on 7th December 2007 at Pembury Hospital and weighed 8lb 6oz.

### SADIKI

Kamilla Czerniecka and Yusef Sadiki of Minster on Sea celebrate the birth of their daughter Seleena Sadiki on 13th December 2007.

### SEDGWICK

Joshua Stuart born on 3rd December 2007, weighing 8lbs. Son to Ben and Holly. Brother to Harvey. Mummy and Daddys special little angel.

### SINDEN

Harvey Christopher Ryan Sinden born on 11th December 2007 at Maidstone Hospital. Son to Tia of Marden.

### SMITH

Leah Gabriella Smith born on 5th December 2007, weighing 8lb 11oz. Daughter to Glenn Smith and Sarah in Leybourne.

### STROUD

Lisa Garrett and Ryan Stroud of Cliftonville celebrate the birth of their son William Ryan Stroud on 6th December 2007. Our most beautiful and precious son.

### THORNBY

Matthew and Sarah of Canterbury are proud to announce the birth of their son, Samuel George Thornby, on 10th December 2007.

### UGLOW

To Hannah and Pawel a beautiful daughter, Matilda Jane, born at home in Canterbury on 24th November 2007. Matilda weighed 8lb 12oz and arrived at 12.30pm. The first grand-daughter for Jenny and Steve and Maria and Andrez :-)

### WALKER

Hannah Emily Walker born on 10th December 2007, weighing 7lb 9oz. Daughter to Chris and Alice of Tunbridge Wells, and baby sister for Tessa.

### WHITE

Simon and Amber of Canterbury are proud to announce the birth of their son, Asher Simon White, on 13th December 2007.

### WOJTYNSKI

Olivia born on 12th December 2007 to Bartosz Wojtynski and Katarzyna Ciesielska. Our treasured Christmas gift.

## DEATHS

### BOURNER

Eileen Bournier of East Peckham died peacefully on 15th December 2007. Funeral service at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium at 11am on 3rd January 2008.

### BREEN

Ernie Breen of Maidstone, former West Kent, local councillor and businessman passed away peacefully on 15th December 2007. Funeral service will be held at St Marys Church, Langley 1:30pm on the 3rd January 2008.

### BUCKOKE

Kenneth Buckoke of Maidstone died peacefully on 14th December 2007. Funeral service at Vinters Park Crematorium 27th December at 1:15pm.

### CLUBB

Tony Clubb of East Malling died peacefully on 13th December 2007. Funeral service at St. James the Great, East Malling at 11:00am on 27th December.

### COLE

Horace Cole of Gravesend, formerly of East Malling, passed away peacefully after a long illness on 12th December 2007, aged 77. Funeral service at Vinters Park Crematorium on 27th December at 2pm.

### CRUX

Arthur died in hospital on 6th December 2007, aged 89. His funeral took place on 14th December. Fondly remembered by his family and friends.

### CRUX

Dorothy joined her husband Arthur on 16th December 2007, aged 84. Funeral will be held on Thursday 27th December at 3.20pm at Charing Crematorium. May they be as close together now as they were in life. Rest in peace.

### DIVERS

Dick (Richard John) Divers of Canterbury passed away suddenly on 6th December 2007. A loving dad to Helen and Mark and a loving brother to sister Jan. He will be very sadly missed. The funeral took place on 21st December at Barham Crematorium.

### EVANS

Derek Michael Evans BA passed away peacefully on 13th December 2007 at Kent and Canterbury Hospital. Devoted and dearly loved husband of Doreen will be sadly missed.

### HILLIER

Mrs Joyce Winifred Hillier passed away peacefully in The Heart of Kent Hospice on the 15th December 2007 aged 76 years after a long illness bravely borne. She will be sadly missed by all. Enquiries to A W Court Grafty Green, 01622 850840.

### JEFFREY

Eileen Phyllis passed away peacefully in her sleep after a brief illness on 13th December 2007 in Kent and Sussex Hospital Tunbridge Wells. Will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

### LUCKHURST

Maidie Luckhurst 24 Jan 1915 - 11 Dec 2007 aged 92. Our Dear Mum passed away peacefully in Kent and Canterbury Hospital following a short illness - the first time she had been in hospital in 92 years. Her smile will be missed by all who knew her. May she rest in peace.

### MILES

Pamela Eunice Mary Miles of Newnham died peacefully at home on 11th December 2007. Loved by many.

### SMART

Patricia Ann Elizabeth Smart quietly passed away on 14th December 2007, leaving behind her husband John, 4 children, 6 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild and many friends and relatives. All enquiries to Horlocks Directors. Funeral 8th January 2008 at 11 am at Springhead Chapel. May she rest in peace.

### STEEL

Joe Steel of Chatham passed away peacefully on 13th December 2007, aged 88.

### STEPHENS

Nicholas Clifford Michael Stephens passed away on 13th December 2007, aged 49. Loving husband to Susan and proud father to Elizabeth and Madeleine. He will be greatly missed.

### TAYLOR

Ronald William Horace Taylor passed away suddenly at home in Sittingbourne on 12th December 2007. Loving husband of May, loving dad to Kevin, Jason, Ashley and Phillip and grandad to Jade. He will be very sadly missed. Funeral enquiries to R High and Sons 01795 472958.

### WHITTAKER

Jan - only 55 years old. Best Wife, Best Mum, Best Nanna and Best Mate of Mick Ali Ju James Mark Ruby and Cara. Slipped peacefully away on 16th December 2007 in Dunkirk.



# Grammar pupils are a credit to us

After reading your article on "Great Class Divide" last Sunday where Martin Frey attacks grammar schools once again with his brilliant observation that fewer pupils are expelled from grammar schools – I was so outraged I felt compelled to write in. My son attends a Kent grammar school which includes children from a wide range of cultures and social backgrounds including children with special needs. A lot of the children come from some of the poorest surrounding boroughs and are not socially or financially advantaged contrary to popular belief. But the one thing they have in common is that they are all prepared to behave and work hard and give 100 per cent in order to achieve a decent future. I have absolutely no sympathy for the disruptive, antisocial jobs in our schools

today who decide to get themselves expelled and make life a misery for their fellow students and who you now want to inflict on our grammar kids who want to work. It's a shame these children don't take an example from our grammar school pupils and knuckle down and get educated then they would have the same chance as anyone else, and people like Mr Frey could stop moaning on about how unfair the education system is because the only people to blame are themselves. So to Mr Frey and all you anti-grammar school campaigners I would like to say, get off your high horse, get your facts right and let grammar kids who are a credit to this society get on in peace instead of trying to bring everyone else down to your level. Mrs E Jones Sidcup

## Don't penalise for hard work

Having read your front-page article, I feel I have to respond as a parent whose child sat the Medway test in November. My child attends a primary school where there are several highly disruptive pupils who 'attention seek' on a daily basis at the expense of the quiet child who wishes to work. It is the quiet children who in my opinion are the losers, the disruptive children often go out of their way to disturb the class and hence receive more of the teachers' and headteachers' time. The primary schools are loathe to remove the disruptive element as it does not reflect well on the school, help the child and in many cases the place will be filled by a troublesome child from another school. I consider myself working class – neither my husband or I were selected to attend grammar schools but both agree it is a marvellous opportunity for those who wish to pursue an academic route with others of a like mind, where a positive work ethos is encouraged and the teacher's time is spent helping those who really want to make the most of their education. My child was selected at the recent Medway test and we were extremely proud of what we feel was achieved through sheer hard work. Name and address supplied

## The answer is simple: to succeed

Another Sunday, another screaming headline about evil grammar schools failing the downtrodden masses.

At least this time the class-war fool to whom you blithely choose to grant grotesque quantities of free publicity is saying that it's the poor grammar schools that are deficient in resources, namely disruptive morons, than the comprehensives. The reason why there are fewer exclusions from grammar schools? The pupils, the teachers, the parents and governors all have a single aim: to succeed. It's that simple. Paul Millgate Kent

## Family search from Canada

I'm trying to locate any members of my grandfather's family still living in England. My grandfather was Ernest John (Jack) Brown born September 28, 1887 in Bromley, Kent. His parents were Frederick Brown – born 1851 in Worpleston, Surrey and Fanny Brooks – born 1851 in Edenbridge, Kent. Frederick was a signalman and then pointsman for a railway and Fanny was a grocer. Ernest had three sisters: Dorothea (Dolly), married to John Grantham and lived at one point in Devon. Ernest had at least two children, Nigel and Ann; Fanny Cecelia (Cissy), married, but don't know to who, possibly had a daughter Molly; and Ethel married to Frank Pentecost and lived in Maidstone and Sydenham – had at least one son John who was married with three children and was a clerk at Sydenham Station. Ernest ran away to sea, to the Merchant Marines, at about age 15. He came to Canada between

1901-1914. He was married on November 2, 1914 to Amelia Grantham Wilson. Anyone having any information about Ernest's siblings or parents can contact me at: 236 Hammond Road Winnipeg, Manitoba R3R 1M3 Canada email: bev-burton@hotmail.com Thanking you in advance for any assistance. Bev Burton Canada

## Island housing growth is an unhealthy issue

I found it incredible that some of the residents on Sheppey were in favour of the proposed Queenborough Rushenden development. It might well encourage new jobs now they have the new Sheppey crossing, but and it is a big but, with 2,000 more houses there will be a minimum of 4,000 extra people. Where are these people going to go for their medical treatment? Swale already has an acute shortage of doctors and NHS dentists and no acute hospital. Some residents already travel from Sheppey to the Medway towns for NHS dentists and I have heard of one resident who still goes back to London to see her GP as she cannot find a suitable one for her needs on the island. The education system is also over-

stretched with hundreds of pupils being transported off the island to Sittingbourne, or beyond, everyday. Special needs children often have to travel for several hours each day to schools as far away as Ramsgate, often in taxis at great expense to the tax payer. When facilities are in place such as more GPs, medical services and mainstream and special needs schools to cater for the influx of new residents, it may well be a great place to live and work, but let's get the priorities right and put these in place before more houses. Jean Spain Sittingbourne

## Supermarkets are taking over everything

Not a single voice seems to recognise the threat posed by supermarkets if left to their own devices. The supermarket is successful because it is the most professional, focused, profit and growth-driven business animal on the planet. Many businesses have already been exterminated but no-one seems to notice that we are paying more for our food. We are left with about five predatory giants who wage a ruthless war. In addition to food we now have clothes, toys, paperbacks, books, greetings cards, CDs, DVDs, white goods, barbecues, mobile phones, photographic services, garden

products, pet products, paint, kitchen and household goods, chemists and pharmaceuticals, post office services and financial services. There has to be Governmental involvement and control. No market is safe from attack and conquest. Ian R Elliott Whitstable

## Speed camera fans' double standards

Your reader James Mason writes to support MP Stephen Ladyman's comments that "speed cameras are necessary". Is this the same MP that had three speeding convictions and admits to using a radar detector? Only recently Chief Constable Meredydd Hughes, the head of road policing for Great Britain, was banned from driving, for doing 90mph in a 60mph limit while on holiday. This was the man who advocated more cameras and wanted them all hidden. All these people might lecture us, but that is only for their own career enhancement and a good pension at the end of it. This has nothing to do with real facts or truth. If, Mr Mason, you wish to believe all this twaddle, then go ahead, but like most sensible citizens, I gauge people by their actions not by their hypocritical rhetoric. Terry Hudson Herne Bay

# Vote for your favourite Kentish food and drink

The search is on for the County's best food and drink in the annual Taste of Kent awards. Produced in Kent - Which runs the coveted county food and drink honours - has teamed up with Kosmedia to urge our readers to get involved in voting for their favourite brewers, butchers, vineyard, restaurants and pubs. Simply complete the voting form, or you can also vote online through our won website [www.kentnews.co.uk](http://www.kentnews.co.uk)

WE want your votes for the best of Kentish food and drink. The categories are listed below with a brief description. For full details of the awards please visit the dedicated website at [www.kentnews.co.uk](http://www.kentnews.co.uk).



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  - 9) KENT FOOD PRODUCT 2007:** An individual product made by a Kent food producer.
  - 10) KENT SEAFOOD RETAILER 2007:** Kent-based seafood retailer that demonstrates active local sourcing
  - 11) KENT FARMERS' MARKET 2007**
  - YOUNG CHEF OF THE YEAR 2007**
- This last category will be awarded following a competition in association with the Abode Hotel, Canterbury.

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# CriticalReview

## IN MY VIEW



Jane Connolly

## Country sounds

DON MESCALL  
ZEBRA BAR, MAIDSTONE

I CONFESS to not being a country music fan, but only in the sense that I have never really listened to it.

When the opportunity came to meet singer/songwriter Don Mescall and watch him in action at Maidstone's Zebra Bar, I anticipated a pleasant enough evening with a competent musician. His biography was certainly impressive, with writing credits for the likes of Ronan Keating, Lulu, Frances Black and Brian McFadden.

The Irishman, now based in Folkestone, has made waves in the notoriously difficult Nashville songwriting community, so I expected some high quality stuff.

What I didn't expect was to be taken on an almost unbearable rollercoaster ride of emotions. As Mescall had stressed during our interview, and later on stage, all his lyrics were based on his own experiences.

Whether singing about the death of his father or the break-up of his marriage, the audience was acutely aware that Mescall was singing straight from the heart. This certainly gave his delicate and honest lyrics an added poignancy that occasionally brought tears to the eyes (alright, my eyes). A couple more drinks and I might have embarrassed myself.

Despite this, there was no mawkish air to the evening. Mescall was an engaging and warm host, whose banter between songs was completely free from doom and gloom. There did tend to be a solemn tone to the songs, such as the heartbreaking *You Don't Love Me*. But a ditty sung to his young daughter and the strangely uplifting *End Of The Line* reminded us all that for every shadow, there is light.

Mescall ended the evening – which, at three-and-a-half hours long, was tremendous value – with a beautiful and very personal song, dedicated to his new love. After musically exploring a turbulent life, the simple note of hope was the perfect finishing touch.

The young lady who provided support cannot be named for contractual reasons, but she had an incredible voice and huge charisma, which suggested she was a star in the making.

All in all, we spent a fantastic evening in the presence of two extraordinary talents and went home armed with CDs for further listening. Mescall does not appear to perform in Britain very often and I was glad to have caught him. The gig, organised by Maidstone-based *Maverick* magazine, was a triumph and I will certainly be back.

For details of future *Maverick@Zebra* shows, log on to [www.maverick-country.com](http://www.maverick-country.com).



IMPRESSIVE: Mescall made waves in Nashville

## CINEMA

### ST TRINIAN'S (12A)

Girls just wanna have fun in Oliver Parker and Barnaby Thompson's revival of the naughty hockey stick-wielding minxes. *St Trinian's* is frothy and undemanding fun, interspersed with snappily edited montages set to songs by Shampoo, Sophie Ellis-Bextor and Girls Aloud. Stars Rupert Everett and Colin Firth.

### ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS (U)

*Alvin And The Chipmunks* treats its audience like fools, keeping dialogue to a minimum as the linear plot unfolds at a crawl with yawnsome predictability. Young viewers might giggle at the sight of one chipmunk noisily breaking wind in Dave's face, but laughs are few and far between.

### ENCHANTED (PG)

Combining animation and live action, *Enchanted* has all the ingredients of a modern classic: great performances, rumbustious comic set pieces, a sprinkling of romance and just enough heartfelt sentiment to draw a goofy, contented grin. Stars Amy Adams, Patrick Dempsey, Susan Sarandon and Timothy Spall.

### BEE MOVIE (U)

Co-written by Jerry Seinfeld, who also voices the lead character, computer-animated adventure *Bee Movie* is a fitfully amusing romp that peddles many obviously puns and gags: "A perfect report card – all b's!" Seinfeld brings his dry humour to his role while Renee Zellweger, Matthew Broderick and co offer lively support.

### MR MAGORIUM'S WONDER EMPORIUM (U)

Written and directed by Zach Helm, *Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium* unfolds in the form of a storybook narrated by a lonely nine-year-old boy called Eric (Zach Mills). Dustin Hoffman is instantly loveable as the wacky and wildly eccentric impresario and Natalie Portman brings depth to her role.

### WE OWN THE NIGHT (15)

Director James Gray reunites with charismatic lead stars Joaquin Phoenix and Mark Wahlberg for this gritty account of betrayal and retribution, set against a backdrop of '80s New York street crime. *We Own The Night* takes more than an hour to accelerate out of first gear, finally sparking to life during a terrific car chase sequence in the rain.

### THE GOLDEN COMPASS (PG)

Thirteen-year-old Dakota Blue Richards



ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS: Unfortunately, laughs are few and far between

from Brighton was plucked from obscurity to play the pivotal role of Lyra and she is terrific, holding her own against Nicole Kidman (in scene-stealing form) and a miasma of jaw-dropping special effects. The *Golden Compass* is an entertaining introduction to Philip Pullman's writing, festooned with dazzling action set pieces.

### CODE NAME: THE CLEANER (PG)

Les Mayfield's misfiring and misconceived comedy, about an amnesiac who suspects he may be a CIA operative, is about as much fun as a pile of ironing. Leading man Cedric The Entertainer gurns furiously to camera and flings himself into the various set pieces with gusto. *Code Name: The Cleaner* splices comedy and action to disastrous effect, accomplishing neither genre with flair.

### HITMAN (15)

A disappointing big screen version of the top-selling video game. Director Xavier Gens has recreated the mood of the digital universe. What it lacks is the adrenaline rush that comes from taking control of the enigmatic Agent 47 and interacting with the brutal, bloodthirsty criminal underworld that is his hunting ground.

### FRED CLAU (PG)

Packed with festive schmaltz, this film will make you feel nauseous. Vince

Vaughn stars in this modern day fairy-tale about the rivalry between Saint Nick (Paul Giamatti) and his misunderstood brother, Fred (Vaughn). Laughs are so thin on the ground, it's enough to bring out the Scrooge in you.

### THE ASSASSINATION OF JESSE JAMES BY THE COWARD ROBERT FORD (15)

Brad Pitt stars as the outlaw James in this visually arresting and handsome drama, but it's the intense performance of Casey Affleck as Ford that will literally take your breath away. Gorgeous cinematography and breathtaking production design create some truly unforgettable images.

### SHROOMS (18)

Paddy Breathnach tries his hand – with mixed fortunes – at a modern day horror film with a strong anti-drugs message. *Shrooms* is starved of originality, and characters are thinly sketched and deeply unlikeable, therefore completely dispensable.

### THE DARJEELING LIMITED (15)

Wes Anderson directs Owen Wilson, Adrien Brody and Jason Schwartzman in this bittersweet valentine to brotherhood in the unlikely setting of a train heading across the deserts of Rajasthan. It's an absurdist road movie fuelled by the delightful rapport between the actors.

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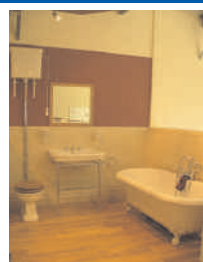
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# REVIEW ■ FOOD & DRINK



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**PIZZA PERFECT:** The Strada restaurant in Canterbury punches well above its weight in terms of food, drink, décor and boasts unobtrusive and swift service

# Sample the atmosphere of downtown New York

A SMALL corner of Lower Manhattan where Chinatown meets Little Italy is widely regarded as heaven for lovers of Roman cuisine as restaurant battles café and bistro for a temporary top of the food chain listing.

In fact, it's pizza perfect and I never thought I'd taste a better example of a piccante in my

## RESTAURANT REVIEW

BY NICK AMES

future – well not unless I went right to the home of rustic, hearty Mediterranean food.

And I certainly never thought I would get anywhere near it right on my doorstep.

But on a Monday lunchtime the Strada restaurant in Canterbury at least managed to equal the tastes and atmosphere of downtown

New York on the day all Italians celebrate their culture – The Feast of San Gennaro.

My dining partner chose the Strada and, having never been there, I was not sure what to expect.

The restaurant itself is comfortable and the placings allowed us to talk freely and with a measure of intimacy which is sadly lacking in many similar establishments.

I ordered a bottled beer on arrival and it was on my table within seconds. A waitress gracefully poured the first glass of Soave for my partner to sample.

Complementary olives in a very attractive bowl completed the table setting.

## Massive

For starters I sampled a polenta con funghi – roasted Parmesan with mixed mushrooms in a marjoram sauce.

Seated opposite, my friend opted for Insalata di Spinaci, which was a massive plateful.

It consisted of baby spinach leaves, sliced avocado and smoked pancetta bacon with Parmesan shavings, all tossed in a mustard dressing.

Both dishes were full of flavour, but subtle

and light enough not to do anything but complement the main course.

The service was unobtrusive, but smart and swift as well.

The flow of wine and attention was just right to keep connection going and avoid those annoying pauses in conversation when hovering staff break the flow of a couple's evening – or in this case lunchtime.

So on to the main course.

We both opted for pizza – mine was a piccante with spicy Italian salami, which was crisp and full of tangy flavour. The meat was accompanied by red onions, olives, rocket, tomato and mozzarella.

My partner – after some contemplation – went for a Fiorentina.

Again spinach was to the fore for her – wilted and cooked with garlic.

Black pepper and mozzarella completed the flavour, which was further enhanced by tomato and a free-range egg.

The base was crisp and easily manageable and even a slightly messy eater such as myself was able to cut and consume with a degree of sophistication.

The desserts looked incredibly tempting but as it was back to work that afternoon for her (but not for me) we just had a coffee.

For a lunch – which really was a spur of the moment thing – the experience was far ahead of that one would normally expect of an Italian restaurant in a small city centre in the UK.

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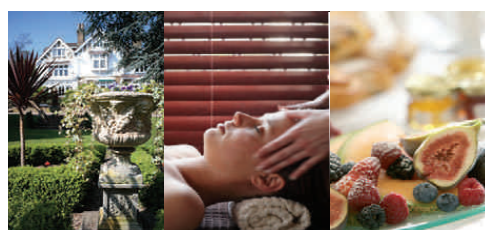
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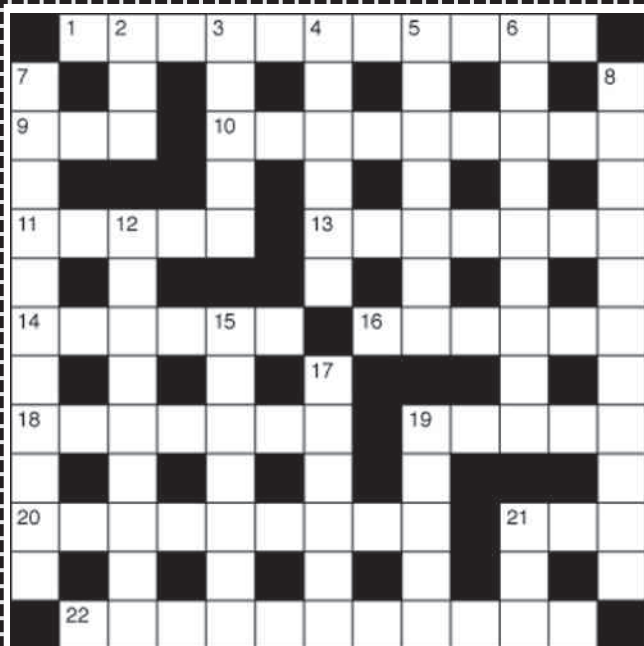
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10. In American money I have the urge to accomplish things (9)
11. Attack on radio equipment (5)
13. Was in a fearful frame of mind? (7)
14. The girl sounds like a star (6)
16. Place an order for goods in the depression (6)
18. Showing concentration in decimals before putting the point! (7)
19. One of the ways known to church-goers (5)
20. Playful, but likely to be catty later on! (9)
- 21 & 2 Down. Two pig-stealers, likely to get beaten! (6)
22. It enables many types to make an

impression in the papers (8-3)

**DOWN**

2. See 21 Across
3. Indicate a single addition to the score (5)
4. Agree to surrender the account first (6)
5. A restaurant full of cutlery! (7)
6. Bad performers? (4-5)
7. Witchcraft (11)
8. Capital sources of water? (4-7)
12. He may well have good looks (9)
15. Travelling light, maybe! (7)
17. A contrivance of French wickedness (6)
19. Thomas is below a Greek mountain (5)
21. Invert the fruit barrel (3)

**QUICK CLUES****ACROSS**

1. Not anxious (11)
9. Tear (3)

10. Of money (9)
11. Discourage (5)
13. Hope (7)
14. Perpetrate (6)
16. Appoint (6)
18. Young tree (7)
19. Larceny (5)
20. Action (9)
21. Lubricate (3)
22. Discerning (11)

**DOWN**

2. Pinch (3)
3. Bid (5)
4. Cocktail delicacy (6)
5. Enmity (7)
6. Get rid of (9)
7. Ancestor (11)
8. In turn (11)
12. Clock (9)
15. Copy (7)
17. More unsightly (6)
19. Principle (5)
21. Possess (3)

**CRYPTIC SOLUTIONS:** ACROSS: 1 High spirits; 9 Bel; 10 Enactment; 11 Press; 13 Conical; 14 Needle; 16 Recant; 18 Oplent; 19 Latin; 20 China clay; 21 Emu; 22 Reading-room. DOWN: 2 Ill; 3 Heels; 4 Place; 5 Recline; 6 Trenchant; 7 Keep in touch; 8 Still tongue; 12 Executive; 15 Leeward; 17 Stolen; 19 Layer; 21 Ego. **QUICK SOLUTIONS:** ACROSS: 1 Elaculacul; 9 Raw; 10 Emotion; 11 Simon; 13 Extreme; 14 Final; 16 Region; 18 Leisure; 19 Night; 20 Energize; 21 All; 22 Astirring. DOWN: 2 Jaw; 3 Clean; 4 Looter; 5 Thistle; 6 Rendering; 7 Crestfallen; 8 Alternately; 12 Manliness; 15 Lounger; 17 Beaten; 19 Niche; 21 Arc.

• The winner of last week's crossword No 262 is Mrs Eileen Cooper, Ramsgate

**Songs for Christmas**

CELEBRATE the meaning of Christmas with a carol service at Canterbury Cathedral.

Following overwhelming demand, entry to the service on Christmas Eve is by free ticket-only and all the places were soon taken.

But worshippers are welcome to join the service at 3pm on Sunday, where they can experience the wonderful sound of carols in an awe-inspiring setting.

There will be a crib service at 12.30pm on Christmas Eve, when the Dean of Canterbury will lead



prayers and carols for children by the crib outside the main entrance. Then on Friday, December 28, there will be a Christingle service for children.

For more details about cathedral activities, visit [www.canterbury-cathedral.org.uk](http://www.canterbury-cathedral.org.uk).

**Festive fun for all the family**

FOR some real Christmas spirit, nothing beats a pantomime.

Here's our round-up of what's on offer:

**Marlowe Theatre, Canterbury** – **Aladdin**, starring Shaun Williamson, Stephen Mulhern and Dave Lee. Ends January 20. Tickets from £8.50. Call 01227 787787 or [www.marlowetheatre.com](http://www.marlowetheatre.com).

**Orchard Theatre, Dartford** – **Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs**, starring Wendi Peters. Ends Sunday, January 13. Tickets cost £13 to £21. Box office 01322 220000 or [www.orchardtheatre.co.uk](http://www.orchardtheatre.co.uk).

**Woodville Halls, Gravesend** – **Aladdin**, starring Paul O'Brien. Ends Sunday, December 30. Tickets cost £6 to £12.50. Box office 01474 337774 or see [www.woodvillehalls.com](http://www.woodvillehalls.com).

**Assembly Hall Theatre, Tunbridge Wells** – **Cinderella**, starring Barney Harwood and Sarah Thomas. Ends Sunday, January 6. Tickets cost £10 to £19.50. Box office 01892 530613/532072 or see [www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk](http://www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk).

**Hazlitt Theatre, Maidstone** – **Sleeping Beauty**, starring Beau Brady and Kate Sheridan. Ends Sunday, January 6. Tickets start at £6.95. Box office 01622 758611 or see [www.hazlitttheatre.co.uk](http://www.hazlitttheatre.co.uk).

**Central Theatre, Chatham** – **Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs**, starring Shane Lynch, Sheila Ferguson and Claire Huckle, pictured. Ends Sunday, January 6. Tickets from £12.50. Call 01634 338338 or see [www.medway.gov.uk/theatres](http://www.medway.gov.uk/theatres).

**Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone** – **Jack and the Beanstalk**, starring Gabrielle Bradshaw and Claire Coultry. Ends Sunday, January 6. Tickets £10. Call 0870 4000 890 or see [www.leascliffhall.co.uk](http://www.leascliffhall.co.uk).

**Theatre Royal Margate** – **Sleeping Beauty**, ends Sunday, December 30. Tickets cost £9 to £12.50. Box office 01227 787787/0845 130 1786.



BEAUTY: Claire Huckle is Snow White at Central Theatre, Chatham

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### 30-31 PREMIUM HOMES

Loud House, a Grade II listed property built in 1552, is just one of the stunning homes on offer from across Kent



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# It's time to land yourself a good sale

THE new property market is set for a reversal of 2007 in the coming 12 months, according to experts at RPC Land and New Homes.

This year has seen new home prices continue to rise and the market remain buoyant throughout the summer, before experiencing a slowdown towards the end of the year.

With brownfield sites becoming few and far between, there has been continued fierce competition between developers over sites, which in turn means land prices have stayed strong.

Peter Randall, managing director of RPC Land and New Homes, said he expected a slightly different situation in 2008, adding: "This year the market has been quite tough for developers, but they are still hungry for land and desperate to purchase good sites and that will continue into 2008 and beyond."

"This year has seen the new homes market start well and then slow down."

"I expect that to change in 2008, with perhaps a slow start followed by an upturn later in the year."

"I believe next year we will see more housing associations involved with developments in Kent to meet affordable housing numbers and

I think eco-friendly developments will also become more common."

"There is also a growing trend in some parts of the county for planners to look for more family housing, reversing the trend over the past few years for higher density developments such as flats."

"I would expect developers to follow suit and look to provide more two, three and four-bedroom properties."

"With competition still strong over sites for development, land prices look set to be maintained."

### Cash in

"This, coupled with the axing of tax exemptions on empty commercial premises, means 2008 could be a wise time to cash in on land for development."

"It is always best to talk to an expert to get the best design and mix of unit for a plot of land."

RPC has offices at Dartford, Chatham, Maidstone, Ashford, Tonbridge and Haywards Heath.

For more details visit [www.rpcland.co.uk](http://www.rpcland.co.uk) or for a confidential discussion telephone Mr Randall on 01732 363633 or e-mail [p.randall@rpcland.co.uk](mailto:p.randall@rpcland.co.uk).



ON SITE: Peter Randall, of RPC Land and New Homes, says now is the time to sell your unused land for development

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The property comprises of: living room, dining room, study, utility, kitchen, conservatory, bathroom, en-suite bathroom from master bedroom, en-suite shower room from bedroom 2, shower room to second floor landing, double glazing, gas heating, double garage with two electronic up and over doors.

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## UPCHURCH

OIEO £600,000



A detached Barn Conversion in the outskirts of Upchurch Village Accommodation comprises: Two Lounges, Bathroom, Downstairs WC, Kitchen with Utility Area, Four Bedrooms, Master with En-Suite and Dressing Room, Study, Playroom, Approx 80ft x 80ft L-Shape Rear Garden, Swimming Pool.

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## MERSHAM

OIEO £575,000



Previously known as 'Loud House' and built in 1552 presumably by John Loud, the first owner of this three bedroom Grade II Listed period house surrounded by over 12 acres with paddocks, gardens and outbuildings. The property can be used as a substantial home or equestrian use (subject to permissions).

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## MAIDSTONE

£425,000



Nestling in this semi rural location and occupying approximately a quarter acre plot is this super three bedroomed detached bungalow with ample scope to extend. The bungalow really must be viewed internally to appreciate its modern and spacious interior, superb lounge and charming layout.

Marketed by Linda Matthews & Co

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## WESTBROOK

£650,000



This substantial property was formerly a care home for the elderly. The accommodation comprises; entry into the Hall having two downstairs Cloakrooms + access to the lift. The Lounge & separate Dining Room both have bay window to the front with the Kitchen to the rear having fitted units + plumbing for a dishwasher.

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## ASHFORD

£499,995



The accommodation comprises, 3 reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room and a large conservatory to the ground floor; master bedroom with 4-piece en-suite bathroom, four further bedrooms and a family bathroom to the first floor. The location lends easy access to major road & rail transport links.

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£700,000



Mulberry House offers fantastic 7 bedroom family accommodation which comprises of; a utility room, kitchen, dining room, sitting room, shower room and W.C, cellar, library and living room. It benefits from an indoor swimming pool, 45' (13.72m) x 23' (7.01m), and has its own changing room and shower cubicle.

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## CHARING

£499,995



Robinson Michael and Jackson are pleased to offer this attractive five bedroom detached house. Located in the village of Borden, the property is situated on an impressive plot which also contains a double garage and workshop. As well as five bedrooms the property has three reception rooms, and three bathrooms.

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WHITSTABLE

£645,000



Immaculate four bedroom detached house situated in one of the most desirable locations in whitstable. The property benefits from a master bedroom with ensuite shower room. Spacious modern kitchen/diner and conservatory with french doors leading to rear garden. Detached garage and secluded rear garden. This property would make an ideal family home. Early viewing is highly recommended.

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HARTLEY

£595,000



This is an impressive 4 bedroom detached house with 2 reception rooms, fully fitted kitchen with appliances, master bedroom en-suite, with a further en-suite bedroom, luxury family bathroom with shower cubicle, under floor heating on the ground floor, double glazing, large electronically operated garage to park 2 cars and additional parking.

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# Generous living for the family

OFFERING generously proportioned accommodation, including five bedrooms, Fairfield House would make an ideal family home, say estate agents.

There are a number of character features, including an open working fireplace in the sitting room and exposed beams in some rooms.

Double doors from the sitting room lead into the drawing room and there is a separate dining room, kitchen/breakfast room and cellar, together with five bedrooms and two bathrooms. The property comes with a leasehold garage attached to the side.

Fairfield House is located in picturesque Elham, which has an abundance of period buildings, pubs and other amenities. The property is within easy reach of the beautiful surrounding countryside, yet is just six miles from the Channel Tunnel terminal.

The guide asking price is £439,500. For details call Cluttons on 01227 457441.



# Good outlook

OPEN countryside views and an outdoor heated swimming pool come with Eggarton House, a substantial detached property situated in Godmersham just outside Canterbury in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

The pretty, period property, which dates back to the early 19th century, has accommodation arranged over two floors, with the ground floor comprising a sitting room with wood burning stove, dining room with wood-burning stove,

fitted kitchen, access to the cellar, cloakroom and a conservatory overlooking the grounds.

Four bedrooms are found on the first floor along with a family bathroom.

Outside, the gardens and grounds extend to approximately half an acre, including a gravelled driveway leading to a parking and turning area.

Eggarton House is priced at £530,000. For details call Your Move on 01227 454925.



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**BICKLEY £375,000**



Exceptional top floor (second floor) apartment in this prestigious building which was originally built for the Lord Mayor of London in the mid 19th Century. The property is set well back from the road and surrounded by well maintained grounds. Both Bickley and Chislehurst stations are easily accessible, being approximately half a mile away. Offered in exceptional condition having been completely redecorated and refurbished in late 2006, this is an excellent opportunity to purchase a charming period property in a secluded, yet convenient spot. Viewing is highly recommended.

There is a grand communal Entrance Hall with stairway to the top floor. The accommodation of the apartment with double glazing and gas central heating briefly comprises: Entrance hall with half sized door to a private external patio area approximately 6ft square. Study area, well proportioned reception room with feature fireplace and far reaching views. Large kitchen/breakfast room. Two good sized bedrooms, one with en-suite shower room plus separate shower room with double sized shower cubicle. Particular mention must be made of the high ceilings throughout, giving the apartment a spacious, light airy feel. The apartment offers excellent storage space from the large insulated loft to private cellar, lockable storage cupboard and single garage outside.



**PRATTS BOTTOM - £965,000**



We are pleased to offer to the market this deceptively spacious five bedroom detached family home which has been remodelled in recent years by Mid Kent Homes. The property is positioned in a private road just outside of Orpington with views to the rear over Chelsfield Lakes Golf Course.

The accommodation with gas central heating and double-glazing briefly comprises: Entrance hall, cloakroom, drawing room with feature stone fireplace, dining room, study, family room, kitchen with range of appliances, utility room. The first floor offers a master bedroom with en-suite bathroom, guest bedroom with en-suite bathroom, three further bedrooms and a family bathroom.

There is a garage with remote controlled up and over door to the front served by a private driveway. The garden offers a wrought iron balustrade to block paved terrace with separate decked sun patio, hot tub (by separate negotiation), raised areas laid to lawn, shed, cold water tap, side pedestrian access

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## BARHAM

A spacious three bedroom traditional cottage, finish in flint, situated in an idyllic village setting. This property has been fully modernised and is pleasingly presented. Internal viewing is highly recommended!

**Guide Price - £510,000**



## RAMSGATE

A very charming modern 3 bedroom semi detached family home. The accommodation comprises sitting room, kitchen, utility room and a family bathroom. This property also benefits from a paddock with 2 stables, a tack room and a field shelter.

**Guide Price - £310,000**



## SHEPHERDSWELL

A very well maintained two storey family home with three bedrooms, spacious entrance hall plus porch, kitchen plus utility, cloakroom, family bathroom and spacious lounge diner. The twin garage and off road parking are ideal. Full gas fired central heating and full double glazed windows.

**Guide Price - £230,000**



## HAMSTREET

A three bedroom terraced property in the village of Hamstreet in need of modernisation. A very pleasing mid terrace property with good size front and rear gardens. The property is in need of redecoration and the purchaser may wish to modernise and improve.

**Guide Price - £180,000**



## CHARING

An impressive five bedroom family home situated in the village of Charing. The property also benefits from Sitting Room, Breakfast Room, Study, Kitchen, Utility Room and Dining Room.

**Guide Price - £499,950**



## HAMSTREET

A substantial 5 bedroom modern village home with accommodation over 3 floors. The location is extremely pleasant and combines good access to the Hamstreet Station, school, shop/post office, dentist, and other facilities. Fully double glazed and central heated with pleasing gardens.

**Guide Price - £385,000**



## APPLEDORE

A modern semi detached house situated in the sought after location of Appledore. The accommodation comprises of 2 bedrooms, sitting room, kitchen and bathroom. Garden and off road parking.

**Guide Price - £200,000**



## ST NICHOLAS AT WADE

A four bedroomed equestrian property situated to the village St Nicholas at Wade. The four bedrooms are all of good size and at the rear of the property there are stables approximately three acres (unmeasured) of pasture land all with separate access of the nearby lane.

**Guide Price - £425,000**



## HAMSTREET

A charming spacious, modern house set in mature gardens with feature pond. This property is in good order and has many features including exposed beams. The accommodation includes of 4 bedrooms, 2 reception rooms, utility room, conservatory, cloak room, office and family bathroom.

**Guide Price - £390,000**



## OSPRINGE

A very charming 3 bedroom semi-detached cottage. The cottage enjoys large gardens and is approached over a drive. Set away from the road and with very attractive outlooks. Garden shed and fenced boundaries. Mature trees and shrubs. Five-bar gates. An outstanding opportunity.

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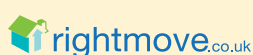
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## Striking home could be yours

ATTRACTIVE views and a courtyard garden overlooking the English Channel come with this end of terrace cottage located within walking distance of both Sandgate and Seabrook.

The well-presented accommodation has been updated in recent years with the installation of a fitted kitchen and gas central heating.

The cottage is arranged over two floors with the kitchen/diner and living room on the ground floor and two bedrooms on the first. One bedroom has a lavatory and wash basin and the second bedroom has a bathroom en suite.

Outside, the courtyard is L-shaped and has an area leading to a pathway from Sandgate High Street, which has shared access with the neighbouring properties and leads to a private courtyard garden.

Situated on the western edge of Sandgate High Street, both Hythe and Folkestone are about two-and-a-half miles away.

This property is available with a price guide of £245,000.

For more information call CR Child & Partners on 01303 267421.



# City cottage is a des res

LOCATED within 250 metres of Canterbury's famous city walls, this mid-terrace period cottage is within walking distance of the city centre.

Deceptively large, the accommodation includes three bedrooms and spacious open plan 'through' living/dining room with a large window, exposed beams, open fire with stone surround, built in storage and an open tread staircase leading to the first floor.

The ground floor also has access to the cellar and double doors that open onto the garden. A second door leads to the kitchen and from there is a door into the cloakroom, which in turn gives access to the garden.

Two bedrooms are found on the first floor,

one of which has a dressing area with hand basin and wardrobe. The third bedroom is located on the second floor and has a sloping ceiling and beams to one wall.

Outside, there is an enclosed cottage style back garden with a patio and lawn – a real bonus with a property so close to the city centre, say estate agents.

Canterbury boasts two railway stations and is within easy reach of the A2/M2, which leads on to both the M20 and M25 and road networks across the South East.

The seaside towns of Herne Bay and Whitstable are a short distance away and the historic market town of Faversham is just 10 miles to the west.

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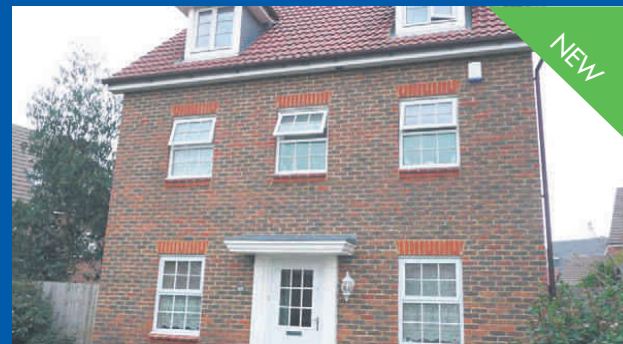
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**24YR** old single mother of 2, very bubbly and fun to be with, looking for happy-go-lucky guy to show me a good time. Box 432026

**CRYSTAL**, 24, brunette, blue eyes, petite, likes music, art, films, swimming, country walks, WLTm friendly guy for friendship maybe more. Box 432236

**LIVELY** female, 26, 5ft2, brown hair, green eyes, size 10, single mum, enjoys most things, seeks genuine, laid-back guy for fun, friendship and more. Box 428555

**FULL-TIME** mum, 26, loves pubs, clubs, cinema, family days out, GSOH, likes socialising, relaxing, looking for honest, loyal, fun, romantic person who's a N/S. Box 900347

**CONFIDENT** female, 28, 5ft8, medium build, brown hair, blue eyes, into most things in life, seeks genuine guy for friendship and more. Box 434229

**OUTGOING**, funny, young-looking female, 34, 5ft3, brown hair/eyes, East Peckham, nr Tonbridge. Seeks caring, loyal male for friendship leading to more. Box 433107

**AFRICAN** lady, 33, brown eyes, likes socialising, music, pubs, cinema, seeks male for friendship and more. Box 413128

**LOVING**, caring, black African female, 33, school teacher, WLTm caring, honest, loving, open, professional man, 35-50 with good values in life, for something meaningful. Box 422460

**SINCERE** female, 35, 5ft3, brunette, likes the gym, staying in, seeks mixed race, tall male for friendship and more. Box 433256

**SINGLE** parent of 4 kids, 35, 5ft6 and long hair with blue eyes, looking for friendly guy for friendship and maybe more. Box 900447

**INDEPENDENT**, professional female, 35, 5'7", fit, GSOH, enjoy travelling, cinema, looking for a like-minded, honest and loyal male to share life with. Box 901771

**DIVORCED**, lively mum, 35, GSOH, I enjoy time with my family and friends, cinema, good food, beach walks, seeks male for honesty, love and romance. Box 813930

**HI**, 35yr old bubbly, fun-loving female, GSOH, looking for friendship, maybe LTR. I enjoy most things in life. Box 430911

**ACTIVE**, affectionate female, 35, 5ft3, blonde, blue eyes, likes cinema, walking, cycling, swimming, watching wrestling, WLTm tall, dark & handsome bloke. Box 430332

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**SINGLE** mum, 29, 5ft1, brown hair, blue eyes. I'm new to Margate, and I'm looking for a guy with a GSOH. I enjoy going out, socialising etc. Box 431105

**ATTRACTIVE** female, 29, size 8-10, 5'8", long hair/blue eyes, enjoys gym, cinema, dancing, seeking honest, reliable male 27-38 with GSOH, for friendship/relationship. Box 410494

**HI**, I'm a 31 year old professional woman, looking to meet a similar aged professional man for friendship and romance. Box 901137

**BLACK**, beautiful, curvy, single mum, 31, enjoys outdoors, cooking, home-life, cosy nights in, eating out, cinema looking for tall, sincere gentleman for friendship/relationship. Box 432283

**HONEST**, loyal, caring lady, 32, hard-working, 5ft8, medium build, likes eating out, spending time with friends/family, meeting new people, going to new places, seeking similar. Box 432586

**CARING**, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5'2", blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 384013

**CREATIVE**, happy, loving female, 32, 5ft, blonde/blue eyes, seeks kind, warm, sincere, patient male, with a car, to share my life with. Box 392354

**SINGLE** mum of 2, 32, would like to meet someone kind, caring and considerate, for nights in/out and cinema. Box 406670

**MUM** of 2 boys, 32, GSOH, easy-going, seeking an honest, genuine man. Get in touch soon x. Box 432066

**CAROLINE**, 32, 5ft10, brown hair, likes going out, having fun, cinema, seeks outgoing male for friendship and more. Box 430833

**SUSAN**, 33, long hair, hazel eyes, tanned, enjoys the usual things in life, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 429879

**MUM** of 1, I'm 5ft4, blonde hair, slim, young looking, 34yrs old. I'm caring, honest, with a GSOH. I like keep-fit, cinema, dancing, days out. Box 431559

**SINGLE** 36yr old female, like most things in life, very loving and caring, 5'5", cuddly build, good personality, seeking a gentle, considerate man. Box 431286

**LOVING** female, 36, 5ft4, brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666

**MEDWAY** female, 36, 5ft8, blue/green eyes, slim, likes dancing, amateur dramatics, walks, much more, looking for someone who could make me laugh, for possible relationship. Box 434372

**36YR** old female, divorced with no children, brunette, loves travel, music, cinema, nice meals, theatre, ceroc, salsa, seeking someone for dates and more. Rainham. Box 434374

**HAPPY**, bubbly, positive female, 37 years old, outgoing, loving, caring, loyal, quite spiritual, into dance music, trance, cooking, the countryside, looking for soul mate. Box 433539

**SINGLE** mum of 2, 37, caring and loving, 5ft4, slim, blonde hair, blue eyes, GSOH, enjoys most things in life. Box 898668

**36YR** old nurse, enjoys fun and laughter, travel, nights in/out, music, dancing, reading, theatre. Seeking man for company, maybe more. East Kent. Box 912176

**ATTRACTIVE**, trendy, outgoing, warm female, 30, dark brown eyes are a big feature, curvy but slim, like country pubs etc, WLTm spontaneous male for LTR. Box 403299

**CHATTY** female, 36, 5'4", single mum, blonde, slim, likes pubs, clubs, going out, having fun, seeks male, for fun nights out and giggles. Rochester. Box 372889

**ATTRACTIVE** 38yr old female, dark brown hair, blue eyes, with curves, likes days out, music, concerts, cinema, walking, cycling, seeks exciting, fun male for friendship/relationship. Box 901893

**MANDY**, 38, lovely brunette, petite & slim, very tactile & bubbly, professional man, WLTm honest, romantic N/S man. Box 432639

**HONEST**, caring lady, attractive, from Tunbridge Wells, 37, hazel eyes, curvy, 5ft6, with a GSOH, many interests, clubs, cooking, cosy nights. Looking for stocky male, 35-45. Box 424364

**KENT** female, 39, 5'7", dark eyes, GSOH, no ties, likes cosy nights in, socialising, country pubs, cinema, seeks loyal, caring male, for friendship & more. Box 152662

**39YR** old single mum, own house, 5'7", brown hair, seeking a kind-hearted man for companionship. Box 433637

**KIND**, caring, spiritual lady, 39, 5'4", average build, hazel puppy-dog eyes, brown hair, looking for genuine, honest guy, non-smoker, friendship first. Box 899694

**DECENT** 36yr old female, medium build, fair hair, 5'6", likes cinema, eating & having fun, seeks like-minded male, 36-40, for friendship first. Box 739664

**DIVORCED**, affectionate lady, 40, large build, 5'6", love staying in, cinema, looking for a thoughtful male to share good things in life, leading to LTR. Box 430332

**MEDIUM** built lady, 42, 5ft2, blue eyes, dark hair, likes cosy nights in, reading, pets, music, nights out, pubs, clubs, socialising. Leave me a message. Box 426164

**KIND** woman, 42, outgoing, happy-go-lucky, sometimes shy. I like gardening, socialising, travel, walks. Looking for happy, fun fella. Aylesford. Box 428464

**HARD-WORKING** female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box 414156

**DEAL-BASED** lady, 43, divorced, brunette, green eyes, 5ft10, likes going out, pubs, clubs, cinema, shopping, walks, loves films and all sports except cricket. Box 430384

**KIND**, caring, genuine person, 43, love music, outdoors, good conversations, looking for friendship initially and maybe more. Box 898448

**MELVIS**, 44, looking for an understanding, sensitive man. I enjoy music and being adventurous. Box 431913

**WARM**, radiant, witty, intelligent, attractive, black female, Christian, 44, likes music, jazz, travel, art, restaurants, theatre, seeking a cultured, N/S, intelligent, solvent gentleman. Box 433075

**PLEASANT** female, 43, medium/large build, blue/green eyes, grown up children, beach walks, relaxing, reading, wining, seeks sincere male with GSOH, for LTR. Box 429071

**PETITE**, sincere woman, 44, wavy blonde hair, blue eyes, size 10, loves beach walks, animals, DIY, swimming, travelling, WLTm N/S man to share things with. Box 429682

**GENUINE**, down to earth female, 45, 5ft7, brown hair, slim/medium build, likes staying in, going out, seeks easy-going male, for friendship and more. Box 425304

**45YR** old medium build, attractive lady, blonde hair, blue eyes, likes dining out, meals, cinema, WLTm a trustworthy, loyal male to share my life with. Box 426617

**FRIENDLY**, bubbly, fun-loving woman, 45, 5'4", GSOH, enjoys socialising, pubs, music, eating in/out, own home/car, smoker, looking for honest man 44-55, who enjoys life. Box 823441

**ROMANTIC** woman, 45, likes the good things in life, WLTm a special, good looking man to complete the jigsaw. Box 434511

**44YR** old female, 5'5", brown hair, slim/medium build, enjoys pubs, clubs, if you are out there, give me a ring! Maidstone. Box 419448

**BLONDE** haired, attractive female, 46, 5ft4, slim, GSOH, seeking good-looking, slim, kind, trendy male, 35-45, with a GSOH, and fantastic personality. Sheerness. Box 432618

**SINCERITY**, honesty, and intelligence, is that just too much to ask for? With a hint of cheekiness, I'm 46 from the Maidstone area. Box 156956

**BUBBLY**, caring, single mum, 46, WLTm nice male, for good conversations, company, and maybe more. Box 396829

**YOUNG-LOOKING**, slim, attractive female, 48, fun-loving & outgoing, N/S, GSOH, love music, holidays, going out & staying in, seeks similar man, 42-50. Aylesford. Box 428833

**HI**, I'm Sue, 48, 5'2", dark hair/eyes, divorced, hard-working, WLTm compatible male, stocky build, for good times, possibly LTR. Box 432992

**LOVING** and loyal 49yr old female, GSOH, enjoys walking, countryside, cinema, theatre, pubs, restaurants, music, travel, seeks sincere and loving male between 48-56 for friendship. Box 909974

**ATTRACTIVE**, blonde woman, 5'4", 49, enjoys the gym, cooking, cinema, theatre, travel and restaurants, seeks male for friendship. Box 398091

**PRIMROSE**, 51, divorced with 3 children and 2 grandchildren. I'm 5ft2, with dark hair, looking for someone for companionship. Box 433580

**LOYAL**, bubbly and affectionate, attractive lady, 51, dark hair, enjoy clubs, nights in, love animals, seeking a like-minded gent for happiness. Box 433585

**SLIM** female, 51, long dark brown hair, brown eyes, 5ft6, well groomed, very easy-going and tactile. GSOH, enjoys socialising, nights in/out, eating out, cinema walks. Box 434052

**SUE**, 51, slim, blue eyes, brunette, ladies hairdresser, looking for someone special. How about you? Box 431904

**YOUNG-LOOKING** 51yr old woman, seeking a kind, genuine man, between 48-51, for fun and friendship, maybe romance. Box 432406

**MODERN**, professional, classy, loyal female, early 50s, 5'4", blonde hair, medium build, enjoys countryside, WLTm gent, 45-58, smart appearance, for friendship, possible relationship. Box 825500

**48YR** old divorcee, 5'5", dark hair, hazel eyes, like dancing, music, cinema, days/nights out, WLTm a man who would like to share some good times. Box 901027

**FEMALE**, 51, 5'6", attractive, redhead, green eyes, seeking professional, male soulmate, 45-55, West Kent. Box 477686

**LOVELY**, honest lady, 52, enjoy walks, cycling, travel, WLTm sociable gent to share interests and possibly leading to LTR. Box 399420

**BRIGHT**, bubbly lady, 52, 5'4", blonde hair, recently divorced, own home and car, enjoy cinema, eating out, drinks, looking for companionship and friendship. Box 419966

**BLONDE** female, 54, 5ft5, cuddly, seeking friendship, with someone who can make me laugh. Fed up of being alone. Snodland. Box 433682

**SPONTANEOUS**, friendly, lively female, 55, likes cinema, walking, cooking, socialising, seeks similar person for friendship leading to hopefully more. Box 430854

**CANTERBURY** lady, 56, recently divorced, looking for a genuine relationship. I like gardening, home life, going out, seeking a male companion. Box 428242

**HONEST**, caring female, 55, too many interest to name, just looking for a real man to share them with. Chatham. Box 424913

**ATTRACTIVE**, homely, caring 55yr old lady, 5'2", slim/medium build, GSOH, WLTm understanding, looking for special person to share life's ups and downs with. Faversham. Box 406928

**YOUNG-AT-HEART**, lively, sociable lady, 56, 5'6", blue eyes, blonde, GSOH, WLTm understanding, down-to-earth gent, for company, maybe romance. Box 403745

**YOUNG**, 57yr old modern female widow, slim, enjoys nights in/out, socialising, seeking honest, reliable man for friendship, love, affection and TLC. Box 902739

**FUN** loving, bubbly, tactile lady, 50s, enjoys the good life, holidays and cosy nights in, I'm voluptuous & looking for a real man. Box 903560

**YOUNG** 61 year old, 5ft3, medium build, brown hair/eyes, very happy-go-lucky, likes dancing, walks, eating in/out. I'm very adaptable, looking for a LTR. Margate. Box 434424

**WIDOWED** woman, 61, no ties, positive outlook, kind nature with GSOH, like the usual things and would like to find a male counterpart. Box 431210

**BRUNETTE** lady, 61, looking for a LTR, friendship first, any age considered. Interests: dancing walking, socialising, cuddling! Margate. Box 432246

**USEFUL**, intelligent, caring female, 62, young looking/active, like walks, music, cooking, seeking sensitive, caring, un-complicated male, N/S, perhaps a dog owner, for friendship first. Box 434345



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**CUDDLY**, loving lady, 64, who loves nice conversations, staying in, winning/dining, loves animals, gardening, WLTm considerate, faithful gent for companionship. Box 427579

**BUBBLY** female, 71, 5ft9, blonde, medium build, OHAC, GSOH, love most things in life, live in New Romney. Box 434390

## Women for women

**HI**, I'm an attractive 39 yr old feminine female, looking for a caring female for friendship and LTR. Box 899207

**CUDDLY**, buxom female, 46, blue eyes, very feminine, loves music, animals, reading, writing, stars, very genuine, meals in/out, seeking boyish female, who's loving and caring. Box 433152



## MEN for WOMEN

**FRIENDLY** chap with a lot of love to give. I'm fun-loving, 26yrs old, looking for a fun, outgoing girl, who likes to have a laugh. Box 900321

**HI**, I'm Ricky from Dover, 28, I'm looking to meet someone nice and caring. Is this you? Box 900736

**JOE**, African male, 30 years old, loves going out, football, meeting new friends. Get in touch. Box 433206

**HI**, I'm a relaxed, good-natured, friendly male, 30, enjoy sports, looking for a nice, loving female for friendship. Box 433416

**SWEET** guy, 31, 5ft8, athletic build, looking for a possible long term relationship, or fun dates out. Box 898885

**HI**, I'm Mark, 32yrs, brown hair & eyes, muscular build, I'm easy-going, up for a laugh type of guy, looking for Mrs Right. Box 900019

**AFRICAN** chap, 32, loves socialising, cosy nights in, music, meals out, seeks lovely woman to enjoy good times with. Box 432564

**CARING** male, 31, tall, dark hair, slim-medium build, 2 kids, various interests, seeks normal, down-to-earth, happy female for lasting romance. Canterbury. Box 801462

**CARING**, honest and genuine male, with a good heart, 34, love eating out, country pubs, uncomplicated, looking for someone with similar qualities. Box 900141

**36YR** old honest, kind, caring, single male, blond hair, 6ft, like walks, cinema, nights in/out, enjoy family life, WLTm like-minded, genuine female. Box 430440

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## Clinic helps to keep the peace

STUDENTS will have access to vital work experience when the UK's first university-based mediation clinic is opened in Kent.

Canterbury Christ Church University is launching the unique project in January and the services will be free for local residents.

Crime and policing studies students will be able to observe the negotiation and mediation process first hand.

They will offer support to the centre's staff who are trained and accredited mediators.

Employments issues, marriage breakdown, personal injury and clinical negligence will be among the issues the clinic will help people resolve.

Ben Waters, director of the mediation clinic and a lecturer in law at the university, said: "The university is conscious of the role it plays within the community and the mediation clinic will help develop its relationship with residents."

# Course for the new breed of journalist

## Top names in the media attend the launch of a new university degree

By **JENNA PUDELEK**

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LEADING figures in the media industry have launched a new school for journalists at a Kent university.

The University of Kent officially unveiled its Journalism and the News Industry degree programme at the Medway Campus in Chatham Maritime.

Gavin Esler, a graduate of the university and one of BBC2 Newsnight's presenters, and Roger Alton, the former editor of The Observer, attended the event as members of an advisory panel for the new course.

Technology has changed the way people access news and the University of Kent's journalism degree aims to prepare reporters for an industry that is becoming increasingly multifaceted.

Professor of Journalism Tim Luckhurst, who is a former editor of the Scotsman, told how the students on the course would study newspaper, broadcast and online journalism.

He said: "I took a lot of persuading that journalists should do degrees, I've always assumed it was not necessary."

"But the world has changed – there is new technology offering an unprecedented amount of access to information."

"It is very demanding for journalists who



**NEWSHOUNDS:** Roger Alton, Tim Luckhurst and Gavin Esler at opening of journalism degree

have to rise above the competition from blogging anarchy on the internet.

"However, the traditional values of journalism – acquiring information and presenting it to the public – are still important and cannot just be done by anyone."

He said learning multimedia skills as well as a good academic training in the history and role of journalism in a free society were vital for modern journalists.

At 44, Mr Luckhurst has worked in print, radio, television and online journalism.

"I'm one of the people who almost through serendipity managed to work in all [areas of journalism]."

"They are no longer optional – if newspapers did not need the complete package then they will now," he added.

Students will learn about all sides of journal-

ism in a state-of-the-art campus newsroom, he said speaking ahead of the launch on Tuesday.

And the advisory panel would be on hand to provide expert help and direction for the budding young Andrew Marrs.

Phil Harding, a former editor of Radio Four's Today programme and one of the founders of Radio Five Live and the editorial director of the Kent Messenger Group, Simon Irwin, are also members of the panel.

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# Students keep airline on flight path

STUDENTS at a Kent university are helping a charter airline solve a scheduling problem as part of their computer degree courses.

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The airline is based at Gatwick and has a complex timetable of flights to more than 50 destinations in Europe, the Middle East, Asia and North America from 11 airports across the UK.

Daniel Hiller, who is group IT business architect for the airline and a graduate of the university, came up with the idea for the project.

He said: "This is a really exciting opportunity for our industry to work with academia and the university's undergraduate population, which I see developing into a long-term partnership."

"By gaining an insight into XL's business we hope that students will gain an appreciation for the leisure industry that

could develop into future employment opportunities. I hope in this way that we can both benefit from this innovative approach to problem solving."

The students have been helping the airline ensure it has enough pilots to meet its timetable.

They must take into account staff levels, employment law and flying regulations.

The students have been designing and developing software in order to help solve the

specific problems of the airline's flight schedules.

Head of the university's computing laboratory Professor Simon Thompson added: "It is difficult for any university department to provide realistic problems for their students, as typical industrial problems are complicated and large scale."

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Sure Start Children's Centres are at the heart of the Government's strategy to give every child the very best start in life.

Currently, there are 22 Sure Start Children's Centres across Kent, offering children under five and their families access to services and support that includes high-quality early education and day care, family support and health services, training and job information. Building on this significant success, Kent County Council is committed to opening a further 52 centres between now and the end of 2008.

We are now looking for enthusiastic and highly motivated people who can contribute to making a positive impact for children, families and their communities.

### Children's Centre Community Involvement Workers

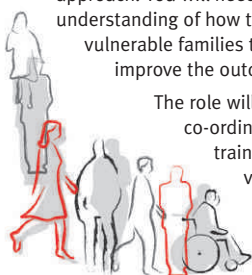
£19,572 - £22,268

Thanet (ref CFE/07/0489)  
Gravesham (ref CFE/07/0490)  
Canterbury (ref CFE/07/0491)  
Ashford (ref CFE/07/0492)  
Tonbridge & Malling (ref CFE/07/0493)  
Maidstone (ref CFE/07/0494)  
Shepway (Dymchurch) (ref CFE/07/0495)

We are seeking to recruit Community Involvement Workers to work in a number of Children's Centres across Kent. The successful candidates will work as part of multi-agency teams, raising awareness in the community about the range of services on offer in the centres. For those families who do not use the Children's Centres, you will provide important information and access to services. You will ensure that the views of children and their families and those of the wider community are sought and included in the development of services in the Children's Centres.

You will need to have strong interpersonal skills with an enthusiastic, tactful and flexible approach. You will need to demonstrate a clear understanding of how to support the most vulnerable families to access services to improve the outcomes for children.

The role will include the co-ordination of the recruitment, training and management of volunteers to support the running of the Children's Centre.



A great place to work.  
Our services aren't the same,  
so neither are our people.



### Children's Centre Managers

£29,190 - £34,507

Dartford (ref CFE/07/0482)  
Tunbridge Wells (ref CFE/07/0483)  
Tonbridge & Malling (ref CFE/07/0484)  
Sevenoaks (ref CFE/07/0485)  
Maidstone (ref CFE/07/0486)  
Ashford (ref CFE/07/0487)  
Swale (ref CFE/07/0488)

We are seeking to appoint Children's Centre Managers in a number of Children's Centres across Kent. You will need to lead an integrated team to work in partnership with parents and carers and a range of partners and organisations across Kent to meet the specific needs of children under five and their families.

With a degree, or equivalent qualification in health, social work, education, community work, childcare or a similar field, you must be able to lead a multi-agency service, demonstrating excellent interpersonal and communication skills. Successful candidates will have the National Professional Qualification in Integrated Centre Leadership or be willing to work towards this qualification.

Both posts are subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

To find out more please contact Stacey Joyce on 01622 626685 or email: [stacey.joyce@kent.gov.uk](mailto:stacey.joyce@kent.gov.uk). For an application pack, please contact Kym Hobson on 01622 605788 or email: [kym.hobson@kent.gov.uk](mailto:kym.hobson@kent.gov.uk) quoting the appropriate reference.

Closing date: 3 January 2008.

[www.kent.gov.uk/jobs](http://www.kent.gov.uk/jobs)

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### Estate & Building Services Manager

37 hrs per week, salary: £44,149 - £49,875 per annum Post ref: EBSM1/KoS  
Interview Date: Tuesday 22 January 2008.

We are seeking an experienced and talented individual to ensure that College sites are fully utilised, maintained and enhanced, to provide an optimum learning and working environment for all users. You will have the opportunity to produce, update and develop the College's property and accommodation strategies, and will prepare maintenance and small buildings works programmes and schedules. You will lead on health and safety strategy and policy, and ensure the provision and maintenance of effective fire precautions, security systems and safety arrangements. Assisting the Director of Finance and Corporate Services in the preparation of relevant capital and revenue budgets, you will also manage the department's budgets and service contracts, and line manage the Estates team. You will develop and manage the College's energy management policy, advise on the use of professional services in connection with estates services, and will take responsibility for buildings & grounds maintenance and security for the insurance of the premises and assets.

To be successful, you will have a relevant professional qualification such as RICS, RIBA, MBIFM, or MIMechE, as well as professional qualifications in the area of Estates Management. In addition, you will be able to demonstrate considerable and successful estates management experience. You will have demonstrable experience of managing change with a commitment to continuous improvement, as well as having direct experience of line managing staff, budgets and resource management.

Computer literate, with analytical & evaluation skills, you will have the ability to assess the future financial viability of projects and development opportunities, have a high level of interpersonal skills and the ability to influence and work with colleagues across the College.

You will also have a commitment to educational and training values, and to Equal Opportunities.

For an application pack please visit [www.cant-col.ac.uk](http://www.cant-col.ac.uk) or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 (24hr answerphone) quoting the post reference.

The closing date for the above post is 15 January 2008 at 12 noon.

#### Staff benefits include

- Pensions and Life Assurance Scheme
- Sports Hall and Gym
- Proximity to main bus/train stations
- Generous Holiday Allowance
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- Staff discount scheme



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## MEDWAY TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES



### PRIMARY SCHOOLS

#### Teacher

#### Warren Wood Community Primary School and Language Unit

Specialist teacher (mixed year 3/4/5 class)  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full Time and fixed term contract  
Required From: 21 April 2008  
Closing date: 7 January 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
Kerry Trim, Assistant Headteacher  
Warren Wood community Primary School and language unit  
Arethusa Road  
Rochester  
Kent ME1 2UR  
Telephone - (01634) 337227  
Email trimk001@medway.org.uk

#### Hoo St Werburgh Primary School & Marlborough Centre

KS2 Teacher  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full or part time and temporary  
Term of contract: To cover maternity leave  
Required From: January 2008  
Closing date: 3 January 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
Jo Trickett, Headteacher  
Hoo St Werburgh Primary school & Marlborough Centre  
Pottery Road  
Hoo  
Rochester

Kent ME3 9BS  
Telephone - (01634) 338040  
Email office@hoo-st-werburgh.medway.sch.uk

#### Thames View Junior School

KS2 Teacher  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Part time and temporary  
Required From: 25 February 2008  
Closing date: 10 January 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
Linda Lowrey, Headteacher  
Thames View Junior School  
Bloors Lane  
Rainham  
Gillingham  
Kent ME8 7DX  
Telephone - (01634) 232540  
Email office@thamesview-jun.medway.sch.uk

### SPECIAL EDUCATION

#### Rivermead

Teacher of general subjects  
Salary: MPS + SEN allowance (£1818)  
Full Time and permanent  
Required From: to be confirmed  
Closing date: 15 January 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
Mrs Karen Watkin, Office Manager  
Rivermead School  
Forge Lane  
Gillingham  
Kent ME7 1UG  
Telephone - (01634) 338348  
Email office@rivermead.medway.sch.uk

**www.medway.gov.uk/teachingcareers**

*Any offer of employment will be subject to a satisfactory Enhanced Criminal Records Bureau check*



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### ADMINISTRATION, SECRETARIAL, PA

JOB TITLE: **Service Administrator**

LOCATION: **Folkestone**  
SALARY: **£14,197 to £15,153 (pro rata £7,674 to £8,190)**

COMPANY: **Shepway & Dover Mediation Service**  
20 hours per week (Monday – Friday). This is a new role to provide administrative and office support for an established and expanding community organisation. Based in Folkestone, you will work with the Service Co-ordinator to maintain a high standard of service to our volunteers and service users. As well as sound computer and organisational skills, you will need excellent communication skills and preferably experience of working with the general public.

**TO APPLY:**  
Shepway & Dover Mediation Service  
Tel: 01303 227296  
Email shepwaymed@lineone.net

JOB TITLE: **Traffic Controller - Sales Development**

LOCATION: **Canterbury**  
SALARY: **TBC**

COMPANY: **Charles Hewitt Ltd**  
We require an enthusiastic and dedicated person to join our busy transport team, providing admin. support to the Transport Manager, maintaining driver & vehicle records, dealing with load enquiries and our trailer rental operation, developing and supporting new & existing customer business. Experience in a busy traffic office would be an advantage.

**TO APPLY:**  
Dave Grummitt  
Charles Hewitt Ltd  
Tel: 01227 464386  
Email traffic@charleshewitt.co.uk

### CATERING, HOSPITALITY

JOB TITLE: **Experienced Bar Staff**

LOCATION: **Canterbury**  
SALARY: **TBC**

COMPANY: **Plough & Harrow (The)**  
To apply please attend the interview Open Day date on 13th December between 10am-12pm with a CV to: The Plough & Harrow, 86 High Street, Bridge, Canterbury, Kent CT4 5LA.  
**TO APPLY:**  
Plough & Harrow (The)  
Tel: 01227 830455  
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

JOB TITLE: **Experienced Chef**

LOCATION: **Folkestone**  
SALARY: **TBC**

COMPANY: **Aramark Ltd**  
To cover 6 months maternity leave with possibility of the position becoming permanent. Duties to include preparation of breakfast and lunch, ordering of supplies, stock-take, costings and general kitchen duties. Hours 7.30am to 3.30pm. Contact: Aramark Limited  
Telephone: **TO APPLY:**  
Tracy Roberts  
Aramark Ltd  
Tel: 01303 224448  
Email 2616gefrankona@aramark.co.uk

### CONSTRUCTION, ARCHITECTURE, SURVEYORS

JOB TITLE: **Geotechnical Project Engineer**

LOCATION: **Kent**  
SALARY: **TBC**  
COMPANY: **Lankelma**

Lankelma is a specialist geotechnical site investigation company based in Iden, East Sussex. We use innovative testing techniques to offer bespoke solutions to our clients, be it at brownfield, rail or near-shore sites. We now have excellent opportunities for experienced and new Geotechnical Engineers to grow and develop with our company. Applications are invited for the position of Geotechnical Project Engineer. An interesting and varied role. In the office you will be undertaking reporting, tendering and client liaison. Out of the office you will work on site as an engineer and be out and about meeting clients, selling our services and raising the profile of cone penetration testing (CPT). The successful candidate will be of degree calibre in a geological or geotechnical subject, have excellent team-working and communication skills and have a strong interest in soils, sediments and how they behave! In addition, you will need previous experience of working as a site engineer or interpreting geotechnical data. A strong flair for commercial and sales activities would be desirable. This role will be based at our Iden office. Visit [www.lankelma.com](http://www.lankelma.com) for details of other existing vacancies, including Trainee Geotechnical Engineers' opportunities.  
**TO APPLY:**  
Wendy Andrews, HR Manager  
Lankelma  
Tel: 01797 280050  
Email recruit@lankelma.co.uk

JOB TITLE: **Intermediate Quantity Surveyor**

LOCATION: **Canterbury**  
SALARY: **TBC**

COMPANY: **Betteridge and Milsom**  
The applicant will need to be able to demonstrate core skills in preparation of quantities and ideally be familiar with SMM7 and Computerised Taking Off Systems. If you are interested please contact us for an application form: Betteridge and Milsom, The Old Bakehouse, 18a Ivy Lane Canterbury, Kent CT1 1TU.  
**TO APPLY:**  
Betteridge and Milsom  
Tel: 01227 471186  
Email info@betteridge-milsom.co.uk

### DOMESTIC

JOB TITLE: **Part-time Kitchen/Domestic**

LOCATION: **Sevenoaks**  
SALARY: **£5.75-£7.00 per hour**

COMPANY: **Holywell Park Ltd**  
Required for busy residential home, good rates of pay/bonus training and NVQ opportunities.  
**TO APPLY:**  
Debbie  
Holywell Park Ltd  
Tel: 01732-82215  
Email holywellpark@aol.com

### EDUCATION, TEACHER, SCHOOL

JOB TITLE: **KS2 Teacher**  
LOCATION: **Rochester**

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### Faculty Head Engineering & Construction

37 hrs per week, salary no less than £40,622 per annum Post Ref: FHEC1/KoS

We are seeking an individual of the highest calibre to help achieve our goal of being one of the best FE College by 2010. You will be responsible for the operational delivery of the strategic plan within the Engineering & Construction Faculty, and will ensure a quality provision and suitable curriculum development to aid the learner experience. You will also play a key role in contributing to the development of the College's strategic & development plans, and will lead and inspire a team of Section Managers.

As a College we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of both young people and vulnerable adults, and the promotion of this will form an integral part of your role.

You will have significant experience in education leadership and people management, and will have the leadership skills to set the highest possible standards, both within your Faculty and throughout the College. In return, we will offer you the rewards and support you would expect at such a senior level.

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### Marketing and Communications Manager

37 hrs per week, salary: £36,188 per annum Post Ref: 0806/KoS

We are seeking an experienced and talented individual to take responsibility for the strategic and general management of the college's marketing and communications, to establish, lead and manage a multi-disciplinary marketing and communications team; providing strategic vision and direction to ensure that the college's goals are met. You will lead in the development, implementation and evaluation of a range of communications and marketing projects including events, campaigns and consultations. The strategy you develop will be informed by thorough market and competitor research. You will be responsible for analysing and reporting to the Senior Management Team on the findings of this research and on campaign effectiveness and progress against budget and targets. The college's internal communications are a key element of this role as the college strives to "Be the best college in the South East". Your team will commission, write, edit, proof read and coordinate internal and external publications, leaflets and promotional materials. Your experience of working with local, regional and national media will be essential in building and communicating the college's brand values and identity through a proactive media and public relations strategy.

This post is a senior role within the college structure and you will be required to provide reputation management advice and media advice to senior managers.

To be successful, you will have a closely relevant professional qualification, and experience of leading a marketing and communications team.

You will possess a high level of communication and interpersonal skills, and the ability to influence and work with colleagues across the College.

You will also have a commitment to educational and training values, and to Equal Opportunities.

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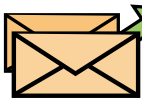
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**COMPANY:**  
**Hoo St Werburgh Primary School**  
Full or part time and temporary.  
Term of contract: To cover maternity leave. Hoo St Werburgh Primary school & Marlborough Centre  
Pottery Road Hoo Rochester Kent ME3 9BS  
**TO APPLY:**  
Jo Trickett, Headteacher  
Hoo St Werburgh Primary School  
Tel: 01634 338040  
Email office@hoo-st-werburgh.medway.sch.uk  
Closing Date 3 January 2008

**JOB TITLE:**  
**KS2 Teacher**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Gillingham**  
**SALARY:**  
**MPS/UPS**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Thames View Junior School**  
Part time and temporary  
Thames View Junior School Bloors Lane  
Rainham Gillingham Kent ME8 7DX  
**TO APPLY:**  
Linda Lowrey, Headteacher  
Thames View Junior School  
Tel: 01634 232540  
Email office@thamesview-jun.medway.sch.uk  
Closing Date 25 February 2008

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Play / Lunchtime Supervisor**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Ashford**  
**SALARY:**  
**TBC**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Ashford South Community Primary School**  
10 hours per week. The appointment will be subject to a satisfactory CRB check

**TO APPLY:**  
Richard Harrison  
Ashford South Community Primary School  
Tel: 01233 620503  
Email mail@south-ashford.kent.sch.uk  
**JOB TITLE:**  
**Specialist Teacher (Mixed Year 3/4/5 Class)**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Rochester**  
**SALARY:**  
**MPS/UPS**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Warren Wood Primary School**  
Full Time and Fixed Term Contract  
Warren Wood Community Primary School and Language Unit Arethusa Road Rochester ME1 2UR  
**TO APPLY:**  
Mr Peter Whistler, Headteacher  
Warren Wood Primary School  
Tel: 01634 337227  
Email trimk001@medway.org.uk  
Closing Date 7 January 2008

## ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING, UTILITIES

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Depot Engineering Manager**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Kent**  
**SALARY:**  
**£37k - £41k per annum**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Arriva Southern Counties**  
Responsible for our depots at Guildford, Horsham and Cranleigh. You will work closely with the respective General Manager and Operations Manager to deliver key performance objectives in respect of

service delivery, reliability and presentation within clearly defined budget limits. The successful applicant will be highly organised and task orientated, whilst being able to lead and motivate their workshop teams. Opportunities for career progression within Arriva plc, with its UK-wide and European transport businesses will be excellent for those that have the drive to deliver and succeed! In return, we offer a car option, performance related bonuses, continuous personal development and great career prospects. If you are interested in this challenging role, then please forward your CV with a brief covering letter to: Tony Ward, Engineering Director, Invicta House, Armstrong Road, Maidstone, Kent, ME15 6TX.  
**TO APPLY:**  
Tony Ward  
Arriva Southern Counties  
Email wardt.sc@arriva.co.uk  
Closing Date Friday, 18 January 2008

## GRADUATE, TRAINEES

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Home Business Opportunity**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Kent**  
**SALARY:**  
**Earn from £500 - £2,500 per month**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Home Business Opportunity**  
Choose your hours - full or part-time. Full training given. Proven system and programme. Applicants MUST register for a free information pack: www.yourbusiness.org.uk. Home business opportunities.

**TO APPLY:**  
Nevil Kapadia  
Home Business Opportunity  
Tel: 0208 432 9427  
Email untoldriches@blueyonder.co.uk

## INFORMATION TECH, INTERNET, TELECOMS

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Full Time ICT Technician**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Rochester**  
**SALARY:**  
**Medway Grade D2 - Salary range £14,492 - £18,430 pro rata**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Sir Joseph Williamson's Mathematical School**  
You will work as part of a team of three technicians to oversee all aspects of the school's curriculum network, building and testing applications, liaising with suppliers or providers in fault finding and fixing. The ability to work under pressure and have a flexible approach to your workload is a necessity. Any offer of appointment will be subject to an enhanced Criminal Record Bureau Disclosure. Please contact Mrs J Freeman for an application form and job specification on 01634 844008.  
Email: sirjosephwilliamson.medway.sch.uk.  
Sir Joseph Williamson's Mathematical School  
Maidstone Road, Rochester, Kent ME1 3EL  
**TO APPLY:**  
Mrs J Freeman  
Sir Joseph Williamson's Mathematical School  
Tel: 01634 844008  
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk  
Closing Date 21st January 2008

## LEISURE, TOURISM, TRAVEL

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Assistant Stewards / Stewardesses**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Dover**  
**SALARY:**  
**£14,160/annum £7.86/hour**  
**Shifts covering 1800 annualised hours**  
**COMPANY:**  
**New Appointments Group**  
You must have excellent customer service skills and be prepared to make a visible contribution to the success of P&O Ferries. We need smart, intelligent, enthusiastic people who have had experience working with the public, perhaps within the leisure, ferry, airline or retail sectors. Conversational French or another second European language would be an advantage but is not essential, as would previous experience of working on ferries. We will operate a shift roster over a 7-day week and candidates must be able to work on a range of shift patterns that will include some nights. These permanent positions offer excellent career opportunities with P&O Ferries and carry the additional benefits of meals on board, uniforms supplied and significant travel concessions after the six months probationary period. New Appointments Group, 4 Priory Street, Dover, Kent CT17 9AA.  
**TO APPLY:**  
New Appointments Group  
Tel: 01304 215924  
Email nagp&o@newappointmentsgroup.co.uk

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Chef**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Dover**  
**SALARY:**  
**up to £20k**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Thanet Leisure Force**  
Chef Up to c £20,000p.a. 40 hours per week. We currently seek a qualified and talented Chef to join our catering team based at the Maison Dieu, Dover. The Chef would be involved in providing an extensive range of menus from 10-700 persons primarily at Dover but occasionally at other venues. The successful candidate should hold City & Guild 706/1 and 2 or equivalent and a full driving licence. Applicants should initially discuss their application with their line manager prior to requesting an application form and job description from the Personnel Department at Kay House on 01843 227959. Closing date for completed applications: Monday, 7th January 2008.  
**TO APPLY:**  
Sam Rose  
Thanet Leisure Force  
Tel: 01843 227959  
Email sam.rose@leisureforce.co.uk  
Closing Date 7th January 2008

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Various indoor leisure opportunities**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Kent**  
**SALARY:**  
**Various**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Thanet Leisure Force**  
Vacancies in Indoor Leisure  
Hartsdown Leisure Centre and Fitforce Duty Supervisor (NPLQ) 40 hours per week - £6.24 per hour The successful candidate will ideally have a working knowledge of the leisure industry and have gained an understanding of the role of Supervisor. Receptionist 20 hours per week - £5.52 per hour Applicants must have proven customer service skills, be computer literate and flexible in their hours of work. Senior Fitforce Instructor 32 hours per week - £6.24 per hour Applicants must have experience in leading and motivating a small team and gained experience in a similar environment. The successful candidate will have a formal fitness qualification (YMCA 2 or equivalent) plus a first aid qualification and a working knowledge of gym inductions, assessments and good customer service skills. Fitforce Instructor 32 hours - £5.95 per hour The successful candidate will have a formal fitness qualification (YMCA 2 or equivalent) plus a first aid qualification and a working knowledge of gym inductions, assessments and good customer service skills. Ramsgate Sports Centre Duty Supervisor 37 hours per week - £6.24 per week The successful candidate will ideally have a working knowledge of the leisure industry and have gained an understanding of the role of Supervisor. Ramsgate Swimming Pool NPLQ Lifeguards 39 hours per week - £5.52 per week Applicants must have the National Pool Lifeguards qualification, ideally with a current first aid qualification. Receptionist 36 hours per week - £5.76 per week Applicants must

have proven customer service skills, be computer literate and flexible in their hours of work. Interested? Internal Applications: Please speak to your line manager in the first instance, then contact Kay House on 227959 for an internal application form. External Applications: Please contact Kay House on 227959 for an external application form. Online Applications: Or download the application form from 'www.leisureforce.co.uk' and return via e-mail to 'recruitment@leisureforce.co.uk'.  
**TO APPLY:**  
Sam Rose  
Thanet Leisure Force  
Tel: 01843 227959  
Email sam.rose@leisureforce.co.uk  
Closing Date 7th January 2008

## MANAGEMENT, SENIOR POSITIONS

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Capital Project Manager**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Canterbury**  
**SALARY:**  
**circa £70,000 per annum**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Canterbury College**  
**TO APPLY:**  
Personnel Office  
Canterbury College  
Tel: 01227 811282 (24hr answerphone)  
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk  
Closing Date 15 January 2008 at 12 noon

## MARKETING, ADVERTISING

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Marketing and Communications Manager**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Canterbury**  
**SALARY:**  
**£36,188 per annum**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Canterbury College**  
**TO APPLY:**  
Personnel Office  
Canterbury College  
Tel: 01227 811282 (24hr answerphone) quoting the post reference  
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk  
Closing Date 15 January 2008 at 12 noon

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Regional Communication Officer**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Kent**  
**SALARY:**  
**TBC**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Ringway Group Ltd**  
Required to spend equal time between our Aylesford and Guildford Offices. The person will be fully responsible for the external and internal communication between Ringway and Local Authority contacts to ensure a joint professional profile for Ringway and our client. This role will report into the Group Marketing Manager based in our Head Office so occasional travel to Horsham and other locations will be required. Key aspects of the role include: Day to Day liaison with the client's communication departments; Liaise with the client to contribute towards articles in local newsletters; Work with the client in Kent to create joint PR story opportunities; Create local press releases, in conjunction with the Marketing Manager; Production and implementation of a communication support plan; Manage the updating of the local pages of the Intranet; Manage stories from the region which are suitable for the Ringway company magazine; Liaise with Senior Management to produce the topics for inclusion within Insight; Assist the Regional Director in arranging any internal communication meetings or focus groups; Represent Kent and Surrey employees on the Ringway Charity Committee; Be responsible for the organisation and management of any regional events, conferences or exhibitions; Assist Marketing Manager in promotional activities and ad hoc projects, related to the specified regions; Maintain the brand collateral of the Ringway brand; Manage the logging and flow of invoices; Feedback any communication issues to the Marketing Manager. You will ideally be CIM qualified or working towards. You will have previous experience in a Marketing role in a commercial environment, with specific experience of project management and event management. Please send your CV with a covering letter illustrating your current salary expectations to the Human Resources Department, Ringway Group Limited, Albion House, Springfield Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 2RW. No agencies please

**TO APPLY:**  
Ringway Group Ltd  
Email careers@ringway.co.uk  
Closing Date 7th January 2008

## MOTOR TRADE, DRIVER

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Section Manager – Workshop**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Aylesford**  
**SALARY:**  
**£27,500 - £32,500 • 37.5 hours per week covering early, late and night shifts**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Waitrose**  
**TO APPLY:**  
Waitrose  
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk  
Closing Date 11th January 2008

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Service Advisor**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Canterbury**  
**SALARY:**  
**TBC**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Baileys Nissan**  
Previous experience preferred but not essential. Pleasant, helpful personality is essential.  
**TO APPLY:**  
David Jackson, Service Manager  
Baileys Nissan  
Tel: 01227 766777  
Email brian@baileysnissan.co.uk

## NURSING, MEDICINE, CARE WORK

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Part-time Carers**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Sevenoaks**  
**SALARY:**  
**£5.75-£7.00 per hour**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Holywell Park Ltd**  
Caring staff required for busy residential home, good rates of pay/bonus training and NVQ opportunities.  
**TO APPLY:**  
Debbie  
Holywell Park Ltd  
Tel: 01732-822215  
Email holywellpark@aol.com

## OTHER

**JOB TITLE:**  
**Mediation Skills Basic Training Course (FREE)**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Dover**  
**SALARY:**  
**N/A**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Shepway & Dover Mediation Service**  
Are you a good listener? Interested in people? Able to be fair and unbiased? Then mediation skills will come naturally to you! This a fun, skills based course. All materials provided. Everyone welcome- whatever your age or education. Great for your cv or confidence building. Dover Town Hall 24th, 31st January and 7th February 10am-3pm. Ring now for details.  
**TO APPLY:**  
Shepway & Dover Mediation Service  
Tel: 01303 227296  
Email shepwaymed@lineone.net

## PUBLIC RELATIONS, MEDIA, JOURNALISM

**JOB TITLE:**  
**International Management Trainees**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Canterbury**  
**SALARY:**  
**£28k OTE (Uncapped)**  
**COMPANY:**  
**Meltwater News**  
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achievement

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# Canterbury College

Canterbury College is a leading FE and HE College which offers opportunities and an environment in which our 800 staff and 12,000 learners can reach their potential, so we can achieve our goal of being one of the best Colleges by 2010. To support this, the College has been undergoing a £50 million re-development, phase 2 of which completes at the end of 2007. We are now developing the plans for Phase 3, for completion in 2012.

## CAPITAL PROJECT MANAGER

37 hrs per week, salary: c£70,000 per annum Post ref: CPM1/KoS

We are seeking an experienced and talented individual to take responsibility for the strategic and general management of the redevelopment project, ensuring that it is delivered on time, within budget, and in accordance with the design brief and targets. Leading the project on behalf of the College, you will direct, co-ordinate and supervise the project in association with the College's Senior Management Team, Project Team and consultants. Responsible for ensuring that the overall project programme can be approved by the Corporation and all activities are completed within defined parameters, you will also prepare the Estates Working Party papers in liaison with the Principal and the Clerk to the Corporation. You will recommend and secure approval for any modifications of variation to the agreed brief, and will advise the Corporation on overall risk and exposure through the Capital programme. You will be responsible for all aspects of financial management in liaison with the College's Director of Finance and Corporate Services, including monitoring of cashflow against College plans, all forms of asset management, including tenders, procurement and leasing options, and achieving best value in line with LSC guidelines.

To be successful, you will have a closely relevant professional qualification, such as a Postgraduate qualification in project management, or equivalent experience of public sector construction. In addition, you will be able to demonstrate detailed understanding of the financial and contractual management of construction projects, and the ability to think strategically to lead and advocate on complex projects. You will also have negotiation skills, and the ability to work to deadlines and to lead and motivate a team.

Computer literate, with analytical & evaluation skills, you will have the ability to assess the future financial viability of projects and development opportunities, a high level of communication and interpersonal skills, and the ability to influence and work with colleagues across the College.

You will also have a commitment to educational and training values, and to Equal Opportunities.

For an application pack please visit [www.cant-col.ac.uk](http://www.cant-col.ac.uk) or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 (24hr answerphone) quoting the post reference. The closing date for the above post is 15 January 2008 at 12 noon.

Staff benefits include

- Pensions and Life Assurance Scheme
- Sports Hall and Gym
- Proximity to main bus/train stations
- Generous Holiday Allowance
- Close to City Centre
- Staff discount scheme

Canterbury College is an equal opportunity employer



Highways - Borough of Ashford

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(BAGHAM LANE, ASHFORD)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Bagham Lane at its junction with the A252, Maidstone Road, on or after Monday 7 January 2008 for an estimated period of up to 1 week or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for northbound traffic on Bagham Lane is via Bagham Lane, Ashford Road (A28) and Maidstone Road (A252) with southbound being vice versa.

Mid Kent Water apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are necessary to lay a new water main. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Nicola Stone on 01634 873290.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(VARIOUS ROADS, ASHFORD)  
(TRAFFIC REGULATION) (No. 3) TEMPORARY ORDER 2007  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto on or after 24th December 2007 for an estimated period of 30 weeks or until such works are complete, at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto is described in Column 2 of that Schedule.

The Kent County Council (Ashford) (Traffic Regulation) Order 1997 in respect of the One Way Street relating to Bank Street (Elwick Road to Tufton Street) and Tufton Street (Bank Street to Vicarage Lane) will be temporarily suspended at such times as the traffic signs erected to indicate the effect of the Order on this road are covered or removed.

**Schedule  
(Temporary Prohibition of Driving)**

The Affected Route	The Alternative Route
Elwick Road, Ashford From its junction with Elwick Road to Godinton Road (43m)	Church Road, Norwood Street and Queen Street
Bank Street, Ashford From its junction with Elwick Road to Middle Street (80m)	Church Road and Tufton Street
Bank Street, Ashford From its junction with Middle Street to Tufton Street (55m)	Church Road, Norwood Street and Queen Street
Godinton Road, Ashford From its junction with Bank Street to the entrance of the County Square shopping centre (35m)	Church Road, Norwood Street and Queen Street
Tufton Street, Ashford From its junction with Bank Street to the entrance of the County Square shopping centre (30m)	Church Road, Norwood Street and Queen Street or Church Road and Tufton Street
Middle Street, Ashford From its junction with Bank Street (west) to the entrance of the County Square shopping centre Service Area B (30m)	Church Road, Norwood Street and Queen Street or Church Road and Tufton Street
Tufton Street, Ashford From its junction with Bank Street (east) to No 12 Tufton Street (38m)	Church Road and Tufton Street

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(SWAN LANE, LITTLE CHART)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Swan Lane, Little Chart from junction of West Street on or after 7 January 2008 for an estimated period of up to 1 night or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for the route described above is for northbound traffic via Swan Lane, Pluckley Road, towards Hurstford Lane and West Street and for southbound traffic vice versa.

BT Openreach apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary for gully cleaning. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Nicola Webb of A-Plant Lux Traffic Control & Management on 01666 822000.

Highways - City of Canterbury

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(IFFIN LANE, CHARTHAM)  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on Iffin Lane, Chartham, from its junction with Chartham Downs Road to its junction with Merton Lane on or after 7th January 2008 for an estimated period of three weeks, or until such junction improvements works are complete, at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Chartham Downs Road, B2068 Fausett Hill, B2068 Nackington Road and Merton Lane.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(HATCH LANE, CHARTHAM)  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on Hatch Lane, Chartham, from its junction with A28 Ashford Road, a distance northwards of 25 metres on or after 7th January 2008 for an estimated period of five weeks or until such works are complete, at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Hatch Lane, Town Lane, Howfield Lane and A28 Ashford Road.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(NARGATE STREET, LITTLEBOURNE)  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on Nargate Street, Littlebourne, from its junction with A257 High Street for a distance of 100 metres on or after 7th January 2008, for an estimated period of two weeks or until the installation of new kerbing and bollards is complete, at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Church Road and Jubilee Road.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(BROAD OAK ROAD, CANTERBURY)  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because water utility works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting traffic on Broad Oak Road, Canterbury at the level crossing between the entrance to Bretts Waste Tip and the entrance to the Car Spares car park on or after 27 December 2007, for an estimated period of five days whenever the appropriate advance warning signs are displayed on site, until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Broad Oak Road, Vauxhall Road, Sturry Road, Mill Road, Sturry Hill, Herne Bay Road, Sweechgate and Shall Oak Road.

The Kent County Council (Broad Oak, Canterbury)(Weight Limit) Order 1997 shall be temporarily suspended for the duration of these works.

Highways - Borough of Dartford

**KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
LINGFIELD AVENUE, DARTFORD  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Lingfield Avenue wishing to travel from A226 London Road in the Direction of B2500 Watling Street for its entire length.

The Order will become effective on 7th January 2008, for a period of six weeks or, until completion of the planned works. This restriction will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: A226 London Road/The Brent, B2500 Watling Street, Lingfield Avenue.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate Gas Main Renewal Works on behalf of Scotia Gas Networks.

**KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
KNOLE ROAD, DARTFORD  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Knole Road at its junction with Shepherds Lane.

The Order will become effective on 7th January 2008, for a period of five days or, until completion of the planned works. This closure will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: Chastilian Road and Heather Drive.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate Highway drainage improvement works by Kent Highway Services.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(KING EDWARD AVENUE AND WEST HILL, DARTFORD)  
(PROHIBITION OF WAITING) ORDER 2007  
(STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2007  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**

NOTICE is hereby given that Kent County Council proposes to make an Order under Sections 1 and 2 and 124 of and part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will prohibit the waiting of vehicles at various times in the lengths of roads as described in Schedules 2 to 4 hereto and under Sections 32 and 35 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to install a time limited parking bay as described in Schedule 5 to this Order.

This Order will amend parts of the existing Order as described in Schedule 1.

A copy of the proposed Order, an explanatory statement and a map showing the extents of the prohibitions of waiting may be inspected during normal office hours at the West Kent Divisional Office, Joynes House, New Road, Gravesend, Kent, DA11 0AT and the Dartford Borough Council Offices, Civic Centre, Home Gardens, Dartford Kent, DA11 1DR

Anyone wishing to support, or object to this proposal should write to Diane Bourne, Jacobs UK Ltd, Miller House, Lower Stone Street, Maidstone, Kent, ME15 6GB quoting the name of the Order and reference No "B0316100" and stating their reasons, by not later than Monday 14th January 2008.

**SCHEDULE 1  
(Orders to be amended and their amendments incorporated within this Order)**

"The Kent County Council (Various Roads, Dartford) (Consolidation) Order 2001"

**Schedule 1 – No waiting At Any Time**

King Edward Avenue, Dartford east side from a point 18 metres south of the central entrance to West Hill Hospital to a point level with the boundary wall of Nos 6/8 King Edward Avenue.

King Edward Avenue, Dartford both sides from a point 15 metres north of its junction with Priory Hill to a point 15 metres south of that junction measured from the north and south kerbs respectively in Priory Hill.

King Edward Avenue, Dartford east side from a point 15 metres north of its junction with Priory Hill to a point 15 metres south of that junction measured from the kerbs.

King Edward Avenue, Dartford west side from its junction with West Hill to a point 78 metres north of Sanctuary Close measured from the kerb on the north side of Sanctuary Close.

King Edward Avenue, Dartford west side from a point 114 metres from its junction with Sanctuary Close to a point 15 metres north of its junction with Hallford Way measured from the kerb on the north side of Sanctuary Close and Hallford Way.

King Edward Avenue, Dartford east side from its junction with West Hill to a point 18 metres north of the southern entrance to West Hill Hospital.

King Edward Avenue, Dartford both sides from its junction with West Hill to a point 18 metres north of the southern entrance to West Hill Hospital.

West Hill, Dartford south side from a point level with the eastern boundary of No. 64 West Hill to a point 10 metres east of the western end of St Lawrence House.

West Hill, Dartford north side from its junction with Highfield Road to a point level with the western boundary of No. 53.

West Hill, Dartford south side from a point 15 metres west of the western boundary of No. 48 to its junction with Highfield Road.

West Hill, Dartford north side from a point 18 metres west of West Hill Drive to the western boundary of No. 69 West Hill.

**Schedule 15 - No waiting At Any Time, No loading Monday to Saturday 8 – 10 am and 4.30 - 6.30 pm**

King Edward Avenue, Dartford east side from a point 18 metres south of the central entrance to West Hill Hospital to a point level with the boundary wall of Nos 6/8 King Edward Avenue.

west side from its junction with West Hill to a point 78 metres north of Sanctuary Close measured from the kerb on the north side of Sanctuary Close to a point 114 metres north of that junction.

**Schedule 22 – Waiting limited to 2 hours, return prohibited within 1 hour, Monday to Saturday, 8am – 6.30pm**

King Edward Avenue, Dartford east side from a point 18 metres south of the central entrance to West Hill Hospital to a point level with the southern boundary of No 4 King Edward Avenue.

west side from a point 78 metres north of the junction with Sanctuary Close measured from the kerb on the north side of Sanctuary Close to a point 114 metres north of that junction.

**SCHEDULE 2  
(No waiting At Any Time)**

King Edward Avenue, Dartford on both sides from its junction with West Hill northwards to its junction with Hallford Way

West Hill, Dartford on the north side from a point opposite 3.0 metres east of the eastern boundary of number 1 Dartford Road eastwards, to the western boundary of number 69 West Hill.

on the north side from the mid point of the common boundary of numbers 55 and 53 West Hill eastwards, to its junction with Highfield Road.

on the south side from a point 46.0 metres east of the eastern boundary of number 1 Dartford Road eastwards, to a point 9.5 metres east of the western boundary of number 48a West Hill.

on the south side from a point 14.0 metres west of the western boundary of number 48 West Hill eastwards, to its junction of Highfield Road.

**SCHEDULE 3  
(No waiting – Monday to Saturday – 8.00am - 6.30pm & No Loading Monday to Saturday – 8 -10 am & 4.30- 6.30 pm)**

West Hill, Dartford on the north side from the mid point of the common boundary between numbers 53 and 55 to a point level with the western boundary of number 69 West Hill.

**Schedule 4  
(No waiting – Monday to Saturday – 8.00am - 6.30pm)**

West Hill, Dartford on the south side from a point 9.5 metres east of the western boundary of number 48a West Hill eastwards, for a distance of 25.7 metres.

**Schedule 5  
(No Waiting - Monday to Saturday – 8.00am - 6.30pm Limited to 2 hours – Return Prohibited Within 1 hour)**

King Edward Avenue, Dartford on the west side from a point level with the common boundary of numbers 20 and 21 Alexandra Terrace, King Edward Avenue northwards, to a point 6.3 metres north of the northern boundary of number 25 Alexandra Terrace, King Edward Avenue

For further information, please contact Geoff Harrison-Mee,  
Director for Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800 (local rate)  
or visit [www.kent.gov.uk/highways](http://www.kent.gov.uk/highways)





Highways - District of Dover

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(SHAKESPEARE ROAD, DOVER)  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on Shakespeare Road, Dover, between its junction with B2011 Folkestone Road and its junction with Churchill Road on or after 7th January 2008, for an estimated period of 30 weeks or until such works are complete. The initial works will be the pre-patching of damaged carriageway, followed at a later date by surfacing works. Both sets of works will be kept to a minimum period. The Order will continue in force for a period not exceeding eighteen months at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via B2011 Folkestone Road, Maxton Road, Hardwicke Road and Shakespeare Road.

Highways - Borough of Gravesham

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
HIGH STREET, GRAVESEND  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on High Street, Gravesend at its junction with New Road and King Street for a distance of approximately 50 metres.

The Order will become effective on 8th January 2008, for a period of eight weeks, or, until completion of the planned works. This closure will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: New Road, Garrick Street, Barrack Road, Darnley Road, Bath Street, West Street.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate the construction of an archway feature over the pedestrian area by Gravesham Borough Council.

Highways - Borough of Maidstone

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(VARIOUS ROADS IN MAIDSTONE)  
(ROAD CLOSURE)TEMPORARY ORDER 2008

NOTICE is hereby given that to allow highway maintenance works to take place the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in column 1 of the Schedule hereto on or after 7th January 2008 for an estimated period of one week or for a period not exceeding 18 months.

The alternative for each route described in column 1 of the Schedule hereto is described in column 2 of that Schedule.

THE SCHEDULE

The affected routes	The alternative routes
Barnes Road, Linton from its junction with Amsbury Road to its junction with Wheeler's Lane.	Vanity Lane, Health Road and Westerhill Road
Cork Lane Staplehurst, from its junction with Cranbrook Road to its junction with Gouldhurst Road.	Cranbrook Road, Pinnock Lane and Gouldhurst Road
Thorn Road, Marden, from its junction with Copper Lane to its junction with Widehurst Road.	Widehurst Road, Park Road, Howland Road, and Copper Lane
Shearway Lane, Headcorn, from its junction with Copper Lane to its junction with Bedlam Lane.	Grigg Lane, Oak Lane, Wheeler Street, Smarden Road, Headcorn Road and Bedlam Lane
Loddington Lane, Linton from its junction with Butt Green Lane to its junction with Heath Road.	Butt Green Lane, Linton Hill and Heath Road
Pile Farm Road, Staplehurst from its junction with Headcorn Road to its junction with Sweetlands Lane.	Headcorn Road and Sweetlands Lane
Frintsted Lane, Frinsted from its junction with Bottom Pond Road to its junction with Gossy Hill Road.	Bottom Pond Road, Frinstead Lane High Wood Rd and Gossy Hill Road
Cranbourne Road, Maidstone, from its junction with Ringwood Road to its junction with Plains Avenue.	Plains avenue, Marion Crescent and Cranbourne Avenue.
Workhouse Lane, East Farleigh, from its junction with Dean Street to its junction with Stockett Lane.	Dean Street, Heath Road and Stockett Lane

Advance road works information boards will be placed prior to works commencing on site, giving details as to when works are scheduled to commence and expected duration.

Order will only be effective when the appropriate signs are displayed.

Highways - District of Sevenoaks

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
WELL HILL, KNOCKHOLT  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Well Hill, Knockholt between its junctions with Rock Hill and Firmingers Road.

The Order will become effective on 7th January 2008, for a period of one day in the following five days or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: Rock Hill and Firmingers Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate the erection of BT Telegraph Pole.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
GILDENHILL ROAD, SWANLEY  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Gildenhill Road, Swanley outside Holt Farm.

The Order will become effective on 7th January 2008, for a period of seven days or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: Wood Street, Swanley Village Road, School Lane, Lower Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate the installation of electrical cables in the carriageway.

Highways - District of Shepway

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(GEORGE GURR CRESCENT, FOLKESTONE)  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto. The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule is described in Column 2 of that Schedule on or after 7th January 2008 for an estimated period of eight weeks or until the footway improvements are complete, at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The “The Kent County Council (Various Roads, The District of Shepway) (Prohibition and Restriction of Traffic Movements) Consolidation Order 2004” in respect of the One Way Street on Fleming Way, Folkestone (from its junction with Montgomery Way to its junction with George Gurr Crescent) will be temporarily suspended at such times as the traffic signs erected to indicate the effect of the Order on this road are covered or removed.

Schedule

The affected route	The alternative route
<b>Phase 1</b> George Gurr Crescent, Folkestone From its junction with Montgomery Way to its junction with Plimsoll Avenue	Montgomery Way and Plimsoll Avenue
<b>Phase 2</b> George Gurr Crescent, Folkestone From its junction with Plimsoll Avenue to its junction with Fleming Way	Fleming Way and Montgomery Way

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(VICTORIA ROAD, HYTHE)  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2007  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because crane lifting works are proposed to be carried out, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting traffic on Victoria Road, Hythe from the junction with West Parade for 25 metres on or after 9 January 2008 for an estimated period of seven days, between 9 January and 22 February 2008 or until such works are complete.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Arthur Road, Stade Street and West Parade.

Highways - Borough of Swale

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(VARIOUS ROADS IN SWALE)  
(ROAD CLOSURE)TEMPORARY ORDER 2008

NOTICE is hereby given that to allow highway maintenance works to take place the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in column 1 of the Schedule hereto on or after 7th January 2008 for an estimated period of one week or for a period not exceeding 18 months.

THE SCHEDULE

The affected routes	The alternative routes
Gordon Avenue, Queenborough for its entire length.	No Diversion Available
Stanley Avenue, Queenborough for its entire length.	No Diversion Available
Murston Road, Sittingbourne, from its junction with Canterbury Road to a point 10 metres north of Canterbury Road.	A2 Canterbury Road, Murston Road, Woodberry Drive, Keswick Avenue And Vincent Road
Rectory Road, Sittingbourne, from its junction with Canterbury Road to a point 10 metres south of Canterbury Road.	A2 Canterbury Road, Rectory Road And Swanstree Avenue.
Vincent Road, Sittingbourne, from its junction with Canterbury Road to a point 10 metres north of Canterbury Road.	A2 Canterbury Road, Murston Road, Woodberry Drive And Keswick Avenue.
Swanstree Avenue, Sittingbourne, from its junction with Canterbury Road to a point 10 metres south of Canterbury Road.	A2 Canterbury Road, Rectory Road And Swanstree Avenue.

Please Note Murston Road, Rectory Road, Vincent Road and Swanstree Avenue will be closed for approx one hour at any given time.

Advance road works information boards will be placed prior to works commencing on site, giving details as to when works are scheduled to commence and expected duration.

Order will only be effective when the appropriate signs are displayed.

Highways - District of Thanet

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(A254 MARGATE ROAD, RAMSGATE)  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of the Schedule hereto. The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of the Schedule is described in Column 2 at times as indicated in Column 3 of that Schedule on or after 7th January 2008 for an estimated period of one week or until the modification of the signalised junction is complete, to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

Schedule

The affected route	The alternative route	Times of road closure
<b>Northwood Road, Ramsgate</b> From its junction with A254 Margate Road for a length of approximately 70 metres.	Westwood Road and A254 Margate Road	Nighttime closure 18:30hrs – 02:00hrs for one evening only
<b>Newington Road, Ramsgate</b> From its junction with A254 Margate Road for a length of approximately 70 metres.	Allenby Road and A254 Margate Road	Nighttime closure 18:30hrs – 02:00hrs for one evening only
<b>Fitzyoy Avenue, Ramsgate</b> From its junction with A254 Margate Road for a length of approximately 20 metres.	Roman Road and A254 Margate Road	Nighttime closure 09:00hrs – 17:00hrs for two days only

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(VARIOUS ROADS IN THE BOROUGH OF SWALE)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC AND WAITING)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on the routes described in Column 1 of Schedule 1 hereto.

The alternative route for each route described in Column 1 of Schedule 1 hereto is described in Column 2 of that Schedule.

The Order will come into operation on Monday 14th. January 2008 and will be valid for a maximum period of 18 months or until the works have been completed, whichever is sooner. The works are scheduled to commence on Monday 14th. January 2008 and are programmed for completion within an estimated period of twelve weeks.

SCHEDULE 1

The affected routes	The alternative routes
U8455 Epps Road, Sittingbourne from College Road to Ufton lane. Twenty four hours per day.	Eastbound traffic via College Road, Homewood Avenue and Ufton Lane. Westbound traffic vice versa.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(MONKSHILL ROAD LEVEL CROSSING, GRAVENEY)  
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Monkshill Road, Graveney on or after 23:45hrs Wednesday 09 January 2008 to 04:45hrs Thursday 10 January 2008. 23:45hrs Thursday 10 January 2008 to 04:45hrs Friday 10 January 2008. 23:55hrs Monday 28 January 2008 to 04:35hrs Tuesday 29 January 2008. 23:55hrs Tuesday 29 January 2008 to 04:35hrs Wednesday 30 January 2008. 23:55hrs Wednesday 30 January 2008 to 04:35hrs Thursday 31 January 2008. 23:55hrs Thursday 31 January 2008 to 04:35hrs Friday 01 February 2008. 22:00hrs Friday 01 February 2008 to 04:30hrs Monday 04 February 2008. 23:45hrs Monday 04 February 2008 to 04:45hrs Tuesday 05 February 2008. 23:45hrs Tuesday 05 February 2008 to 04:45hrs Wednesday 06 February 2008. 23:45hrs Wednesday 06 February 2008 to 04:45hrs Thursday 07 February 2008. 23:45hrs Thursday 07 February 2008 to 04:45hrs Friday 08 February 2008. 22:00hrs Friday 08 February 2008 to 04:00hrs Sunday 10 February 2008. 00:10hrs to 04:30hrs Tuesday 12 February 2008. 00:10hrs to 04:30hrs Wednesday 13 February 2008. 00:10hrs to 04:30hrs Thursday 14 February 2008. 00:10hrs to 04:30hrs Friday 15 February 2008. 00:10hrs to 04:30hrs Tuesday 01 April 2008. 00:10hrs to 04:30hrs Wednesday 02 April 2008. 00:10hrs to 04:30hrs Thursday 03 April 2008 and 00:10hrs to 04:30hrs Friday 04 April 2008 or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for the route described above is for eastbound traffic is Seasalter Road, Headhill Road, Thanet Way (A299) and westbound traffic vice versa.

Balfour Beatty Rail apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are part of track renewal. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Barbara Conway on 01777 705053.

For further information, please contact Geoff Harrison-Mee,  
Director for Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800 (local rate)  
or visit [www.kent.gov.uk/highways](http://www.kent.gov.uk/highways)





THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(THORNE HLL AND WAY HILL, MINSTER)  
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by traffic on Thorne Hill, Minster, between its junction with Grinsell Hill and its junction with A299 Thanet Way and on Way Hill, Minster, between its junction with A299 Thanet Way and its junction with Ivy Cottage Hill on or after 7th January 2008 for an estimated period of two weeks or until such junction improvement works are complete, at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by traffic signs.

The alternative route for through traffic will be via Grinsell Hill, The Lanes, Foxborough Lane, Tothill Street and A299 Thanet Way.

Highways - Borough of Tonbridge & Malling

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
WESTERN ROAD, BOROUGH GREEN  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Western Road, Borough Green for a distance of 100m either side of St Joseph's Chapel.

The Order will become effective on 7th January 2008, for a period of two days or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: High Street and A25 Sevenoaks Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate surfacing works on the approach to the zebra crossing.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
(VARIOUS ROADS, MEREWORTH)  
(WEIGHT RESTRICTION) ORDER 2008  
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE is hereby given that Kent County Council proposes to make an Order under Sections 1 and 2 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which would be to prohibit any vehicle exceeding the gross laden weight of 7.5 tonnes to proceed on Beech Road, Beaufighter Road, Butchers Lane, Church Close, Horns Lane, Kent Street, New Pound Lane, The Street, Torrington Close, Willow Wents, Mereworth.

A copy of the proposed Order, an explanatory statement and a map showing the length of the bridge affected may be inspected during normal office hours at the West Kent Divisional Office, Joynes House, New Road, Gravesend, Kent, DA11 0AT and the Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council Office, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling Kent, ME19 4LZ.

Anyone wishing to support or object to this proposal may do so in writing quoting the name of the Order and Reference No. "Bo843000" to Diane Bourne at Miller House, Lower Stone Street, Maidstone, Kent, ME15 6GB and stating their reasons by no later than Monday 14th January 2008.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL  
HOLLOW LANE, SNODLAND  
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)  
TEMPORARY ORDER 2008  
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984  
AS AMENDED BY  
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Hollow Lane Snodland between its junctions with Malling Road and The Groves.

The Order will become effective on 7th January 2008, for a period of three weeks or, until completion of the planned works. These closures will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the route described above will be via: The Groves, Birling Road, St Katherine's Lane, Malling Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate the installation of speed cushions by Kent Highway Services.

For further information, please contact  
Geoff Harrison-Mee,  
Director for Kent Highway Services,  
on 08458 247 800 (local rate)  
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## PUBLIC SECTOR, SOCIAL SERVICES

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LOCATION:  
**Kent**  
SALARY:  
**£19,572 - £22,268**  
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**Kent County Council**  
**TO APPLY:**  
Kym Hobson  
Kent County Council  
Tel: 01622 605788  
Email [kym.hobson@kent.gov.uk](mailto:kym.hobson@kent.gov.uk)  
Closing Date 3 January 2008

JOB TITLE:  
**Children's Centre Managers**  
LOCATION:  
**Kent**  
SALARY:  
**£29,190 - £34,507**  
COMPANY:  
**Kent County Council**  
Dartford (ref CFE/07/0482) **TO APPLY:**  
Kym Hobson  
Kent County Council  
Tel: 01622 605788  
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JOB TITLE:  
**Estate and Building Services Manager**  
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COMPANY:  
**Canterbury College**  
**TO APPLY**  
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**Faculty Head Engineering and Construction**  
LOCATION:  
**Canterbury**  
SALARY:  
**No less than £40,622 per annum**  
COMPANY:  
**Canterbury College**  
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Closing Date 15 January 2008 at 12 noon

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Tel: 01795 423939  
Email [manager@bobbing.kent.sch.uk](mailto:manager@bobbing.kent.sch.uk)

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### KENT COUNTY COUNCIL THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004 APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

Applications have been made by Mr Tim Baker of Fairlands, Rye Road, Hawkhurst and Miss Katherine Hayes of The Tithe Barn, Court Lodge Farm, Lenham to Kent County Council, to grant an approval for a ceremony at these premises.

The applications and plans of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the grant of an approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the following address

Martin Alford, Head of Registration, Regulatory Services,  
First Floor, Invicta House, County Hall,  
Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XX

### KENT COUNTY COUNCIL THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004 APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

Applications have been made to Kent County Council to grant a renewal of an approval for the following premises to act as venues for the solemnisation of civil marriages and civil partnerships:-

Name of Premises: St Julians Club, St Julians Road, Sevenoaks  
Applicant: Mr Tom Morgan

Name of Premises: Hotel Du Vin, Crescent Road,  
Tunbridge Wells  
Applicant: Mr Andy Roger

The applications and plans of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the renewal of the grant of approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the address below.

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### KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004

#### APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

Applications have been made by Mrs Sheila Smith of Milestone Lodge, Canterbury Road, Elham and Ms Monica Courtney-Lee of Manwood Lodge, Sandown Road, Sandwich, to Kent County Council, to grant an approval for a ceremony at these premises.

The applications and plans of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the grant of an approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper.

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### KENT COUNTY COUNCIL THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004

#### APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

An application has been made to Kent County Council to grant an approval for the following premises to act as a venue for the solemnisation of civil marriages and civil partnerships:-

Name of Premises: Mecca Bingo Club, Unit 46,  
Westwood Cross, Margate Road,  
Broadstairs

Applicant: Ms Elaine Whittle

The application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the grant of an approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the address below.

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Head of Registration  
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Maidstone, ME14 1XX



## GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE

MARSON FABRICS (LONDON) LTD of Unit 8 Kings Exchange, Tileyard Road, London N7 9AH is applying to change an existing licence as follows.

To add an operating centre to keep 3 goods vehicles at S.C Freight Unwins Victoria road Dartford DAI 5TG Owners or occupiers of land (including Buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected ,should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at S.E Metropolitan Traffic area Ivy house 3 Ivy terrace Eastbourne, BN21 4QT stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice.Representors must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is Available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT 1982 LICENSING OF SEX ESTABLISHMENT

Notice is hereby given that an application is being made to Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council by Tracey Jane Whitmore, 4B Daroets Road, Walderslade, Chatham, Kent ME5 8BH, for the renewal of a Licence for a Sex Shop at the premises known as Vibe UK Ltd, situated at Unit 3, 2M Trade Park, Beddow Way, Aylesford, Kent ME20 7BT. Any comments/objections to the application should be made in writing to The Chief Solicitor, Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4LZ, by no later than 5th January 2008.

### The Insolvency Act 1986 DIGITAL DESIGN & PRINT COMPANY LTD (formerly known as Langleyprint Ltd) (Company Number 04916337)

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above-named Company will be held at 32 Cornhill, London EC3V 3BT, on 14 January 2008, at 2.30 pm for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101 of the Act. Creditors wishing to vote at the Meeting must lodge their proxy, together with a statement of their claim, at the offices of Begbies Traynor, Calverton House, Tilers Road, Milton Keynes MK11 3LL, not later than 12.00 noon on 11 January 2008. A list of the names and addresses of the Company's Creditors may be inspected, free of charge, at Begbies Traynor at the above address between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on the two business days preceding the date of the Meeting stated above. Dated: 11 December 2007 By Order of the Board Robert Langley, Director





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By **STEVE LOADER**

TOYOTA is not saying so officially, but has responded to claims that its latest generation RAV4 may have been priced out of the junior 4x4 market that it actually created.

There are several tempting and more affordable alternatives already, such as the Nissan Qashqai – in 4x4 guise – Kia Sportage and Suzuki Grand Vitara, while Ford, Volvo and VW are all readying smart looking rivals.

However, what Toyota is saying officially is the new RAV4 XTR will become the most popular RAV derivative, offering an upgraded specification while costing less than the current XT4 version.

Toyota estimates the XTR's total added value at £1,565, including rear privacy glass, six-spoke alloys, chromed grille and front under-bumper protection plate. As on the powerful T180 flagship model, the rear-mounted spare has also been deleted and allows the tailgate to swing through the full 90 degrees for easier loading.

A tyre inflation/repair kit is supplied instead of the extra wheel, though no mention is made of the saving to Toyota on this.

Still, the XTR looks the part inside with

standard goodies including hands-free phone operation, steering wheel-mounted controls and rear parking sensors – leather upholstery is available as an option.

It also comes with XT4's standard kit of dual-zone climate control, front fog lamps, heated retractable door mirrors, six-speaker/six-CD autochanger and sunroof.

Though XTR prices catch the eye with £19,995 for the two-litre petrol version, the key price is £21,425 for the highly desirable

diesel – considerably less than the T180's £27,000 price tag. Acceleration is more modest than the T180's at 10.5 seconds for the 0-60mph sprint, but fuel consumption is better and should average around 42mpg.

• Toyota has also announced a value-for-money Yaris supermini model, the TR from £9,895 – saving £750 off its standard equivalent.

Specification includes 15-inch alloys, six-speaker sound system and steering wheel-

mounted controls, air con and leather steering wheel and gear knob trim.

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<b>CORSA</b>								<b>ZAFIRA</b>							
2001	Y*	Corsa Club	1.0	3	Atlantis blue	50,375	£2,995	2001	Y*	Zafira Comfort	1.6	5	Star silver	54,400	£4,795
2005	05	Corsa Life	1.0	3	Spearmint silver	9,050	£4,995	2003	03*	Zafira Club	1.6	5	Mirage	65,650	£5,195
2005	05	Corsa Breeze	1.0	5	Silver lightening	34,825	£5,495	2004	04	Zafira Life	1.6	5	Moonland	29,900	£6,995
2006	06	Corsa Design	1.2	5	Ultra blue	24,575	£6,695	2006	55	Zafira Design	1.8	5	Star silver	26,300	£10,495
2006	56	Corsa Sxi CDTi	1.3D	3	Star silver	6,923	£7,995	2006	06	Zafira Design CDTi Auto	1.9D	5	Black sapphire	16,890	£13,695
2006	56	Corsa Active	1.2	3	Silver	2,100	£7,695	<b>OTHER MAKES</b>							
2006	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	3	Star silver	2,080	£7,495	2003	53*	Renault ScenicFidji	1.4	5	Metallic blue	34,500	£4,795
2006	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	3	Ultra blue	5,500	£7,495	2001	Y*	Focus Zetec Estate	1.6	5	Metallic green	73,800	£3,995
2006	56	Corsa Design	1.2	3	Star silver	6,200	£7,295	2004	04*	Ford Focus Zetec Climate	1.8	5	Black	28,800	£5,995
2007	56	Corsa Sxi +	1.4	3	Silver lightening	3,250	£7,795	<b>DUE SOON</b>							
2007	07	New Corsa Club Auto	1.4	5	Star silver	8,925	£9,995	2005	05	Corsa Energy	1.0	5	Flame red	13,000	£5,695
<b>VECTRA</b>								2007	07	New Corsa Design	1.2	5	Black sapphire	TBA	£9,495
2002	02*	Vectra Ls	1.8	5	Premium blue	71,985	£3,995	2007	07	New Corsa Club CDTi A/c	1.3D	5	Silver lightening	TBA	£9,495
2005	55	Vectra Breeze Estate	1.8	5	Black	12,450	£8,695	2007	07	New Corsa Sxi CDTi A/c	1.3D	5	Star silver	TBA	£10,495
2006	06	Vectra Exclusiv	1.8	5	Black sapphire	14,900	£9,295	2007	07	New Corsa Club Auto A/c	1.4	5	Lancelot	TBA	£9,995
2007	07	Vectra Exclusiv	1.8	5	Ultra blue	2,500	£10,995	2005	55	New Astra Active CDTi	1.3D	5	Red	22,500	£8,395
2007	07	Vectra CDTi Exclusiv Est	1.9	5	Metro blue	12,050	£12,995	2003	03	Vectra Ls	1.8	5	Bamboo	46,000	£5,195
2007	07	Vectra Sri CDTi (150ps)	1.9D	5	Black sapphire	8,750	£17,695	<b>DEMONSTRATORS</b>							
<b>SIGNUM</b>								2007	07	Vivaro	1.9 D SWB		White	9,400	£10,995+VAT
2003	03*	Signum Elegance	2.2	5	Oyster	50,375	£6,995	2007	07	Combo	1.3CDTi		White	13,600	£7,995+VAT
2003	53	Signum Elegance Auto	2.2	5	Star silver	36,500	£7,995	2007	07	Astravan	1.3 CDTi		White	Delivery	£7,995+VAT
2004	04	Signum Elegance Auto	2.2	5	Silver	34,850	£8,695	2006	56	Movano	2.5 CDTi LWB		Silver	3,000	£14,350+VAT
2005	55	Signum Exclusive	2.2	5	Grey	33,100	£9,695	<b>PRE REG VEHICLES</b>							
2007	07	Signum Design CDTi Auto	1.9D	5	Pannacotta	6,350	£16,995	2007	07	Corsavan	1.3 CDTi		White	Delivery	£7,995+VAT
<b>ASTRA</b>								2006	56	Astravan	1.3 CDTi Club		White	Delivery	£7,495+VAT
2002	02*	Astra Comfort Auto	1.6	5	Nocturno blue	27,700	£3,995	2007	07	Combo	1.3D Crew van		White	Delivery	£8,495+VAT
2004	54	New Astra Club E/T	1.6	5	Papyrus	16,000	£7,495	2007	07	Movano	2.5 CDTi LWB		Silver	Delivery	£14,995+VAT
2004	54	New Astra Club	1.6	5	Black sapphire	29,450	£7,495	<b>USED SELECTION</b>							
2005	05	New Astra Estate Design	1.8	5	Breeze blue	33,700	£8,695	2001	Y*	Movano	2.2 DTi MWB		White	72,500	£4,995+VAT
2005	55	New Astra Sxi	1.6	5	Silver lightening	11,680	£8,495	2006	56	Astravan	1.3 CDTi		White	9,800	£6,995+VAT
2006	56	New Astra Sxi Sports	1.4	3	Black sapphire	11,225	£10,495	2007	07	Astravan	1.7CDTi		Star silver	5,050	£7,995+VAT
2007	07	New Astra Club	1.6	5	Pannacotta	9,800	£9,995	2006	56	Combo	1.3 CDTi		White	10,260	£7,495+VAT
2007	07	New Astra Sxi CDTi	1.7D	5	Star silver	7,550	£10,995	2002	52*	Vivaro	1.9 DTi SWB		White	50,500	£4,995+VAT
2007	07	New Astra Club CDTi	1.7D	5	Silver lightening	7,950	£10,995	2006	56	Vivaro	1.9D CDTi		Red	22,900	£11,995+VAT
<b>MERIVA</b>								2006	56	Vivaro	1.9D CDTi		Red	9800	£11,995+VAT
2003	53	Meriva Design	1.8	5	Star silver	41,050	£5,995	<b>DUE SOON</b>							
2004	04	Meriva Design MTA	1.8	5	Ultra blue	35,000	£6,750	2005	05*	Nissan Primostar	1.9 CDTi		Blue	80,000	£6,495+VAT
2005	54	Meriva Breeze CDTi	1.7D	5	Silver lightening	38,000	£7,495	*Non Network Q Vehicle							

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# FIRST GEAR

Compiled by Steve Loader



## Skodia Fabia gets sporty

SKODA has injected some image and extra value into the all-new Skoda Fabia supermini by unveiling a new Sport flagship trim.

Costing from £10,660, the Sport offers a more aggressive, purposeful look with its deeper front spoiler, 16-inch alloys, boot spoiler, chrome exhaust and rear diffuser.

Along with other extras, it brings £1,825 of goodies for a premium of just £940 over the existing Fabia 2. Deliveries start at the end of January 2008.

So, having been criticised for the car's unambitious design when launched in 2004, Britain's favourite car has had a major makeover using the 'kinetic' approach that inspired the Mondeo.

But Ford has also upgraded the interior and promises innovations such as double-clutch VW/Audi style auto transmission and an ultra-green 'ECONetic' version.



## New Beemer to open niche

BMW thinks it has found a niche within a niche – albeit a pricey one – by creating the new BMW X6 'Sports Activity Coupé'.

Starting at nearly £42,000, the X6 is designed to offer the "safety and convenience of a command driving position with the on-road performance of a sports car, all wrapped in the svelte lines of a coupe".

It seems churlish to point out that this is effectively what Mazda is offering for around half the price with its CX-7 model.

But BMW is also making much

of the fact that, for the first time in its history, the entire model range is turbocharged – there are four options topped by an all-new twin-turbocharged 4.4-litre V8 producing 408hp.

It makes the X6 xDrive50i the most powerful production X model BMW ever produced... and the car most likely to attract the attentions of the environmental lobby, even though the official 'average' fuel consumption is reckoned at 22.6mpg.

The BMW X6 launches in May, 2008

## Audi crop top takes trad line

WHILE others see the folding hardtop as the way forward for convertibles, Audi is sticking with traditional fabric tops.

Its latest argument for status quo is the all-new Audi A3 Cabriolet – claimed to be the first ever premium compact class open-top car and due here next spring.

It joins the German upmarket brand's classic A4 Convertible and stunning TT Roadster.

Audi says the newcomer seats four and the rear seat backs can be folded for extra practicality.

Two petrol and two turbodiesel engines will be offered, ranging from 103bhp to 198bhp, and there is a standard suspension or optional sport setting.

The car is slightly shorter than the A3 Sportback.

Audi defends the decision to stay with a fabric roof by highlighting the "close fit, perfect tightness and the silhouette of a coupe" plus large heated rear screen.

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# Pivotal year in move to greener motoring

THIS year will pass into history as the one when global warming was accepted as fact and greener motoring became important to new car buyers.

Motor trade sources indicate that buyers' 'green-ness' is still affected more by a desire to save money – a cheaper vehicle excise duty banding means far more than the car's CO2 emissions.

Rising fuel costs have also undoubtedly made buyers shop around for cars that cover more miles to the increasingly expensive gallon – whether it be diesel or petrol.

Motor manufacturers will argue they haven't dragged their feet, but the fact remains it is far cheaper to carry on with products that simply adapt the tried and trusted internal combustion engine, rather than invest in expensive and untested technology.

Nevertheless, some names are doing a good job with the tools to hand: BMW's energy saving measures on the latest 1-Series and MINI show where the industry should be heading short term, while the VW group's small turbocharged and supercharged engines show you can have power when required without the overall fuel and emissions penalties.

I was also impressed by VW's efforts to create a greener all-round car with the miserly yet endearing VW Polo Bluemotion – even if the name tag is a bit confusing. Bluemotion Golf and Passat models are imminent.

However, it is a worry that some makers – notably Ford and Saab – see bio-fuels as the answer to keeping the internal combustion engine viable for now. Initial enthusiasm – and I include myself – has evaporated as onlookers realise the wider consequences of turning over vast areas of land to producing crops simply to keep people in gas guzzling vehicles.

It will place pressure on global food supplies, force and tempt emerging nations into further



**GREEN:** Honda's FCX Clarity, a new generation zero-emission, hydrogen-powered fuel cell vehicle, will be leased in southern California

deforestation and simply postpone the issue of tackling over-use of the motor car.

As usual, it is the USA that worries me here; the most conspicuous energy waster of all seemed to be a biofuel sceptic, but warmed to the concept recently and has the arable land resources needed to make it work.

Could this change of heart have been influenced though by fears that oil supplies are

dwindling faster than anyone realized, forcing the US Government to start 'ring-fencing' remaining reserves in order to ensure its armed forces do not run short?

Despite the gloom, one car maker is getting there with a viable alternative; Honda will soon start limited supplies of its FCX Clarity new generation zero-emission, hydrogen-powered fuel cell vehicle.

It will be leased to customers in southern California for around £290 a month – you can imagine the queue of Hollywood celebs building right now. Far from adding to that region's famous smog, it emits only water.

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## DrivingReview

by  
**STEVELOADER**CHIEF DRIVING CORRESPONDENT  
steve.loader@kosmedia.co.uk**Audi A3 Sportback**

DOWNSIZING is happening, so how do you trade in the executive saloon and do your bit for the environment yet maintain status and cart the family about?

Well, I couldn't bring myself to buy the awkward looking BMW 1-Series and, for me, the Mercedes A-Class would represent too much change – more MPV than replacement for executive saloon or estate.

All of which brings me to Audi's rather handsome A3 executive hatchback and, in particular, the five-door Sportback model. Of course, it's not cheap; prices start at over 16 grand, which is pricey for what is essentially a Ford Focus class family hatchback, but not for a car that oozes class from its compact dimensions.

In pure styling terms, the three-door A3 probably beats its sister model by a nose, but the gain in versatility is well worth the £500 premium for the Sportback versions.

The boot is only slightly bigger than the three-door A3, but rear passengers will thank you for the extra convenience and accessibility – the travelling experience is as good for those

# Audi's Sportback makes



in the back as in front.

And while someone downsizing from an A4 saloon or its arch rival the BMW 3-Series might miss some boot space, they will like the impressive extra lugging capacity when one or both sides of the rear bench are folded down.

It almost goes without saying that the fit and finish of the interior is top notch; Audi is the brand that most 'real world' manufacturers now look to beat when finishing the inside of a car.

Everything is impeccably arranged with the key dials and gauges sitting – as they should – within the arc of the steering wheel. Everything you touch feels made to last and works logically and before you even fire up the engine you feel in harmony with the car.

On the road, this sensation is reinforced; the car is based on the excellent VW Golf chassis so the car errs on the side of firm, but delivers excellent handling manners with a flat cornering stance, good grip and sharp steering.

Ah, but hang on. If the Audi is based on a Golf, why don't I just save a stack of cash and go for a car that has a decent amount of cachet itself?

Fair point, but if you are a premium badge buyer or company car 'user chooser' the A3 allows you to stay in that status zone and, while it might cost more upfront, it will also be worth more when you hand over the keys.

The A3 is also a car that has the all-important feel good factor to go with its higher status and I confess to being seduced by the test

car on this occasion, a near top-of-the-range Sportback 2.0TFSI Quattro S line.

Admittedly, it costs a hefty £25,000, but you get stacks of kit, the turbocharged 197bhp two-litre petrol unit from the Golf GTI and the legendary driver-flattering Quattro all-wheel drive system to help you put that power down.

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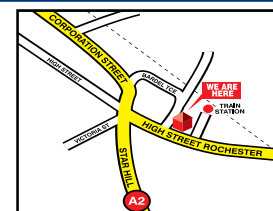
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## DrivingStats

- Audi A3 Sportback 2.0TFSI Quattro S line £25,000.
- Range: £16,040-28,720.
- Garage stats: 4.3m by 1.76m five-door executive hatchback.
- Powertrain: 1,984cc/197bhp turbocharged four-cylinder petrol engine driving all four wheels through a six-speed manual gearbox.
- Performance: top speed 145mph and 0-62mph in 7.1 seconds.
- How green?: category-F and 212g/km CO2 emissions.
- Official fuel figures: combined 31.7mpg.
- Euro NCAP safety rating (0-5 stars): \*\*\*\*
- Fuel tank: 60 litres/12.1 gallons.
- Insurance group: 15.
- Warranty: three years/60,000 miles.
- Website: www.audi.co.uk
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## Pension rescue package is put right for workers

KENT members of pensions schemes with funding difficulties will be breathing a sigh of relief at the Governments recently announced Financial Assistance Scheme (FAS) rescue package.

The package is worth £2.9 billion and affects 140,000 workers who lost pension rights when their employer went bust, although only 3,500 have as yet started to receive payments.

The basic plan is to underwrite and pay 90 per cent of the value of their pensions.

That brings them in line with other workers covered by the Pension Protection Fund (PPF).

Tireless lobbying by workers, criticism from MPs and others eventual-



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ly led to the U-turn and the package which many say Gordon Brown and others in the Treasury did not want to commit to.

Under the proposals, workers will now be entitled to 90 per cent of their expected pension and not the narrower 'core pension' protected under the original terms of the FAS.

Payments will be backdated to May

14, 2004, when the FAS was first announced.

In addition, workers will be able to draw a lump sum and those who are unable to work because of ill health will be able to apply for early retirement.

The change increases the pension payable to some members from paltry figures such as 10-12 per cent of their benefits to nearly a full pension.

Lead campaigner Peter Jackson, who lost his pension when the firm where he had worked for 41 years, ASW, went into receivership is said to be "delighted".

The financial services sector should be pleased as this may increase people's confidence in saving for retirement.

The Government is bringing in more radical changes to the pension system in 2012 and they had to get this right first.

## They're the top temps

A RECRUITMENT firm set up by the county council has been given the highest accreditation by industry watchdogs.

Kent Top Temps, based in Maidstone, achieved audited status by the Recruitment and Employment Federation, making it one of an elite band of company's to receive the accreditation.

Helen Lock, general manager, said: "We are of course delighted to be given this accreditation, which reassures anyone conducting business with us that we are not only industry compliant but have attained the highest accreditation level possible."

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## Angels' trophy delight

**FOOTBALL:** Hamid Barr gave Tonbridge Angels one of the best results in their history as they knocked Oxford United out of the FA Trophy with a 1-0 win on Tuesday.

Three days after drawing 0-0 at Oxford's Kassam Stadium, Angels produced a brilliant display to overcome the non-league giants at the Longmead Stadium.

Angels boss Tommy Warrilow said: "I'm delighted with the result, the effort and the team performance. It will hopefully go down as one of the best days in the club's history."

The win put Angels into the last 32, where they will host AFC Wimbledon on January 12.

## Mos aiming for top

**ICE HOCKEY:** Invicta Dynamics could go to the top of the ENIHL South B division with a win against Chelmsford today.

The Mos have a 100 per cent record in league games so far this season and sit two points behind league leaders Bracknell Hornets, who were beaten 4-2 at the Gillingham Ice Bowl last weekend.

A ninth consecutive league win coupled with a Hornets defeat in their match against Slough Hawks, would see Kevin Parrish's side top the division.

Even if results go against them this weekend, the Mos are well placed, with games in hand on their nearest rivals.



## New drive for Conway

**MOTORSPORT:** Mike Conway has signed for Italian outfit Trident Racing to compete in next year's GP2 Championship.

The Sevenoaks racer finished 14th in his debut season, racing for Super Nova, following his British Formula 3 title win in 2006.

Trident Racing have been competing in the championship since last year and finished tenth in the team championship this season.

Conway said: "It's great to have tied up the deal before Christmas and to be joining Trident Racing. I believe we can be competing for podium finishes at every race weekend."

Conway, will join his new team for the first test of the New Year, which will feature the new-for-2008 GP2 car, on February 28 and 29.



## Stones seal French deal

**FOOTBALL:** Maidstone United's dream of returning to the county town moved a step closer last week after the club received an offer from a French company to buy 25 per cent of the Ryman Premier League outfit.

Stones chairman Paul Bowden-Brown (pictured) has agreed in principle to the offer from the unnamed company, led by a British director.

It will boost United's plans to build a 3,000 capacity stadium at James Whatman Way, bringing the club home to the town for the first time in 20 years.

Bowden-Brown said: "We have been in discussions for over six months and when the offer was made it was an easy decision."

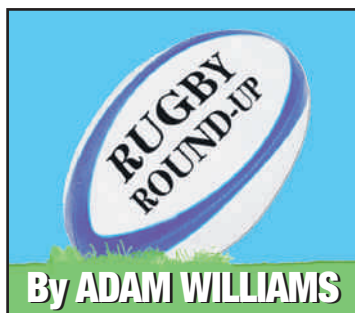
"For the first time, I met someone who thinks the same as I do and is prepared to become part of the club and work with us to bring the club home."

"To be fair, if we didn't get some investment soon, the club would not have been able to continue."



# New Year, new league?

## Teams' form puts them in prime place for promotion



**KENT'S** top rugby clubs have made a good start to the 2007-08 campaign and go into the Christmas break well set for a late surge for promotion.

Blackheath and Westcombe Park sit fourth and fifth in National League Two and in touching distance of the top three in the division.

League leaders Otley opened up a seven point gap after beating Blackheath 12-17 last weekend, but the Kent club will be happy with their position after a solid start to the season which could see them push for promotion.

### Strong

Westcombe Park will be delighted with their performances in the division after being promoted from National League Three last season.

They have kept in touch with the top four in the division and will be looking for a strong second half of the campaign.

In National League Three South, Canterbury's indifferent form has seen their title challenge stutter, which made last weekend's 14-28 win at Barking all the more important.

It leaves the city club in fourth



**GOOD START:** Westcombe Park (stripes) have adapted well to life in National League Two after promotion last season

behind Mounts Bay, Cinderford and London Scottish going into the break.

In London One, Thanet have found the going tough since winning their place in the league and they ended 2007 with another heavy defeat last week, going down 49-22 at Sutton & Epsom.

Wanderers will start 2008 bottom and with just a solitary win to show for their efforts.

Of Kent's six representatives in London Two South, only Beckenham – in fourth place with eight wins – look like realistic promotion contenders, although they are six points behind leaders Jersey and three points off a play-off place.

Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells both started the season strongly, but have dropped off the pace in

recent weeks and occupy fifth and sixth place respectively.

Old Colfeians narrowly missed out on the play-off place last season yet their early season form leaves them in the bottom half of the table going into 2008.

Sidcup, who were promoted after winning the London Three South East title last season, looked like strong candidates for the drop in the opening weeks of this campaign but have rallied in recent weeks and have climbed to eighth.

Sevenoaks have had a shocking end to 2007 and prop up the table with just one win to their name. The west Kent club have just 10 games left this season and will have to win at least half of them to avoid relegation.

# Barham in drive for Tour card

BENN Barham has his eyes on a first European Tour win in 2008 that will help propel him to the lucrative PGA Tour, *writes Tom Howard.*

Barham had his most successful year on the European Tour this year, finishing 89th on the order of merit. En route to his best finish in eight years, he secured a seventh place in Madrid and tied ninth in the BMW International Open, finishing just a shot behind 2002 Open winner Ernie Els.

Next year, the Chart Hills golfer hopes to secure his maiden win on the tour and finish in the top 60 so he can qualify for the prestigious end of season Volvo Masters, won by Justin Rose in November.

Barham, from Ashford, said: "To do that I will need to earn at least a half a million Euros in prize money. One of my biggest aims is to win a tournament this season. It would be lovely to win one, finishing in the top 10 is a good standard, but winning is what everyone wants to achieve."

Barham believes he still has what it takes to make a breakthrough on the American PGA Tour where the likes of golf superstars Tiger Woods and Vijay Singh ply their trade.

A hopeful Barham said: "Golfers do not



**LOOKING FORWARD:** Benn Barham hopes to secure his first tour victory in 2008, which could springboard him to the PGA Tour

reach their peak until their mid-30s. I am 32 now and have not given up the ghost and I think my game is still progressing. I would love to get the chance to play at the highest

level on the PGA Tour, but the European Tour is so strong there are a lot of good players and I believe it is not too far behind the PGA."

In the close season, Barham has been working on his fitness and he has recruited a new trainer in a bid to help his game and stamina on the long haul trips across the world.

The new season started in South Africa last week, but Barham was unable to carry his end of the season form and eclipse his 24th place in his previous South African Open. He missed the cut by four shots after two rounds affected by adverse wind conditions.

Barham said: "The first week in South Africa went well. In Cape Town the first day started great but the wind picked up in the afternoon and I struggled. It was tough conditions to play in and I ended the day nine over par."

"It affected everyone and the scores were very high. It is frustrating to miss by a few shots as you always count back in your mind to see where you could have picked up shots."

He hopes to get his season back on track when he returns to competition in the Abu Dhabi Championship on January 17.

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# Lawrenson takes a 'pop' at ref Bennett

PREMIERSHIP referee Steve Bennett has been at the centre of controversy this week following his decision to send off a Tottenham player in their Carling Cup quarter-final clash with Manchester City.

Bennett from Orpington, was criticised by a number of football pundits, including former Liverpool player Mark Lawrenson, for showing a red card to Spurs midfielder Didier Zokora.

Lawrenson, commenting on the game for BBC 5 Live, described Bennett a "toaster"

for always popping his cards up during games.

Bennett, who officiated this year's FA Cup final at the new Wembley, sent off Zokora for a two-footed lunge on City's Elano, much to the dismay of Tottenham manager Juande Ramos.

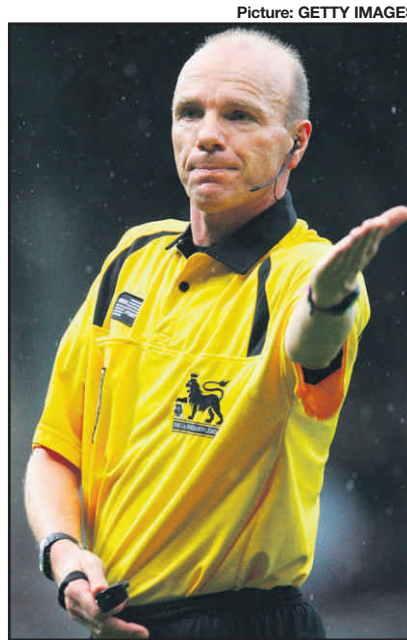
Despite criticism from all quarters, Bennett is unable to explain or defend his actions because the Premier League prefer for their referees to remain silent.

When contacted by Kent on Sunday, Bennett said he was

not allowed to explain his decision to the media and the public because of FA Premier League guidelines.

A spokesman for the FA Premier League said: "Referees are not allowed to comment on individual decisions after games and we do not have any PR's allocated to them. We do not want referees becoming their own personalities."

Since the decision, the FA have rejected an appeal from Tottenham to rescind the red card.



RED CARD: Steve Bennett sent off Spurs midfielder Didier Zokora

Picture: GETTY IMAGES

# Revealed: Fleet's plans for stadium

## Club outlines future ambitions for Football League

By TOM HOWARD

EBBSFLEET United could be moving from their Stonebridge Road home in the next three years.

The club have ambitious plans of competing in the Football League and that would mean moving to a new ground – away from a stadium that has been their home for more than 60 years.

Chairman Jason Botley and director Brian Kilcullen this week outlined their hopes for the move from Stonebridge Road to a new 5,000-capacity stadium in the Gravesend area.

Last season, the club's ground was given the green light to host Football League matches if the club were to be promoted.

However, Kent on Sunday has learned the Football League told the club they would have to improve the ground by fitting more turnstiles and CCTV and employ more security staff within three years.

After the high profile takeover by website MyFootballClub, Ebbsfleet now have eyes on league football and they hope to achieve this with a new stadium.

### Project

Kilcullen said: "We have seen a site we like and hope we can build the new ground there. We have now got a development partner to support the project and support from the Gravesham council and South East England Development Agency.

"It will be minimum league criteria, so if we do progress into the Football League we can grow as a club. If we are very lucky we could be moving there within three years."

He would not reveal the location of the new site.

Also at the meeting, Botley rubbished rumours that manager Liam Daish is to take the vacant manager's role at League Two side Brentford.

Daish has been in charge at Stonebridge Road since 2005 and almost guided them to the play-offs last season but missed out by just four points.

Botley said: "I am sure he has been linked to the job and he will be wanted by other clubs. We have heard nothing from Liam saying he wants to move. He is committed to this club and is fully behind the MyFootballClub takeover."



HOME: Stonebridge Road has been Ebbsfleet United's ground for more than 60 years

Many of the questions fired at the board were regarding the imminent takeover by the website group.

Botley assured worried fans the club was not in serious debt and had not been forced to accept the £700,000 offered by the website.

Botley said: "It is an exciting time for Ebbsfleet and at the forefront of this is the much-needed investment in the club. We have been looking for investment for a number of months now to sustain the club's future as a professional outfit."

The deal was due to be completed before Christmas, but Kilcullen admitted it has taken longer than anticipated, although the due diligence period is expected to be finalised in January.

Kilcullen said: "We hope it will be concluded with the view in mind that Liam, who has been looking at players, will have the opportunity to bring in new faces in the transfer window."

High on the list of worries for Fleet fans was the result of the name change, which happened in the summer and the team selection by more than 20,000 football fans who have signed up to the website.

However, many of the fans are thought to have come to terms with this innovation.

Jessica McQueen of supporters' club, Fleet Trust, said: "I think the whole decision-making process by the MyFootballClub members

is a red herring. I do not think it is going to be as big a problem as we all feared."

The change of name from Gravesend & Northfleet to Ebbsfleet was much maligned by the club's fans, but Botley believes it has had a positive effect on the club.

He said: "The name change to Ebbsfleet United was about realising the opportunity of moving this club forward. It was not because of the deal with Eurostar, but I believe it has had a positive impact. We thought it would be good to try to fit into the regeneration of the Ebbsfleet area."

The club are concerned about the drop in attendances at Stonebridge Road as they used to attract crowds of 1,500 a few seasons ago, but that has since dropped down to an average of 987 this season.

Tony Giles, a Fleet fan for 30 years, said: "This is the first opportunity to quiz the directors and I feel a little more comfortable with the takeover. I am still a bit sceptical about the name change."

"I know there are people out there who have been supporters for a long time who won't come because of it. Football is an emotional subject but people have got to get that out of their heads."

## Key ready to pad up

CRICKET: Kent captain Robert Key will be hoping for a call up to England's Test side for the trip to New Zealand after their poor performance in Sri Lanka.

Key, who topped Kent's batting averages last season, has been in Sri Lanka commentating on the Test series. He is on standby and will fancy his chances of a place for the New Zealand series in February – especially after England's capitulation in Galle, where they were bowled out for just 81.

Two Kent cricket supporters will be celebrating this Christmas after winning a copy of Cricket Year 2007. KoS and A&C Black teamed up to offer readers a copy.

The winners were Margaret Read from Folkestone and Gary Pearson from Canterbury.



## Shepherd's big scalp

DARTS: Kent darts star Kirk Shepherd caused a major shock at the PDC World Championships, beating fourth seed Terry Jenkins.

The 21-year-old won the first round clash 3-2 after coming back from 2-1 behind at Alexandra Palace.

The 21-year-old from Ramsgate, started the match well, taking the opening two legs before Jenkins hit back.

Jenkins then won the next eight of the nine legs to go within a leg from winning the contest.

However, Shepherd fought back to claim a famous victory and book his place in the next round on Wednesday, against Mick McGowan.



## Injury rules Reid out

FOOTBALL: On the eve of the busy festive period, Charlton Athletic were rocked by the news that skipper Andy Reid has been ruled out of action, probably until February.

The Irish playmaker limped out of last weekend's 4-2 defeat to promotion rivals West Bromwich Albion, and faces between six and eight weeks on the sidelines due to a knee injury.

Reid took his place in a busy treatment room in the build-up to yesterday's home match against Hull City, being joined by top scorer Chris Iwelumo and midfielders Darren Ambrose (pictured) and Zheng Zhi.

And while Iwelumo was expected to shake off an ankle injury to play some part against the Tigers, Ambrose and Zheng were rated major doubts for the closing Valley clash of 2007.

Hit by suspensions ahead of the game against the Baggies, manager Alan Pardew must now do without the inspirational Reid for a critical period of the season.



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# WHAT A YEAR

## Striker thanks spell with Gills for putting him in picture for African Cup of Nations call-up

By **DAVID PRITCHARD**

CHRIS Dickson could feature on the world stage next month after he was included in Ghana's preliminary squad for the African Cup of Nations – a call-up he puts down to his loan spell at Gillingham.

The 23-year-old finished a three-month loan spell with the club on Friday after being recalled by Charlton boss Alan Pardew. His stay at Priestfield featured a scoring run of 11 goals in 12 games, which attracted the attention of the Ghanaian national scouts.

Qualifying for Ghana through his father, Dickson will join up with a 40-man preliminary squad at a training camp in the United Arab Emirates early next month.

If he makes it into Claude Le Roy's final 23-man squad, the youngster will have the chance to make an impact for the hosts and tournament favourites in matches screened all over the globe.

The striker, who is contracted to Charlton Athletic, puts the call-up down to his displays for the Gills.

He told Kent on Sunday: "If I was at Charlton I would have probably been in the reserves but it's not as much of a spotlight as playing in League One. Gillingham have definitely contributed to where I am now."

"Many thanks to them because they have obviously helped me to progress. I have done so much work with the club to get me where I am now."

### Shock

The call-up completes a remarkable nine months for Dickson, who was playing for Dulwich Hamlet in Ryman Division One South until he got a dream move to Charlton Athletic in March.

He said: "This year is going from one thing to another. This time last year I was playing non-league football. [Gills' former first-team coach] Iffy Onoura mentioned to me before he left that I had been looked at by Ghana scouts, so I knew there was a chance, but I hadn't heard anything for ages so I thought it would come to nothing."

"It was a bit of a shock to the system. I think every young boy wants to play at the highest level."

The rise from Kent non-league football to international honours is not completely unheard of, with John Keister appearing for Sierra Leone while playing for Margate. But as Keith Masters, chief executive of the Kent County FA, points out, while Sierra Leone are one of world football's minnows, Ghana are a different proposition.

He said: "It does happen but Ghana are



**CALL-UP:** Gills striker Chris Dickson has been named in the Ghana squad for the African Cup of Nations Picture: KEITH SLATER

one of the most prominent nations in Africa. It is great news, I am delighted for him and we wish him all the best. The standard of non-league football now is of a much greater standard and this shows it."

Dickson initially joined Gills on a four-week deal but his displays have seen the deal renewed twice. League rules prevent another extension, so a new agreement would have to be struck in January if the striker was to return to Priestfield.

Gills boss Mark Stimson has repeatedly stated he would like to bring Dickson back in the New Year, but the player thinks it is unlikely. While the striker does not rule out a return, he plans to make his mark at the club which plucked him from non-league obscurity earlier this year.

He said: "I could never say never. If there was an opportunity of coming back to Gillingham I'm not going to say no, but come January I want to be pushing for the Charlton first team."

Although he may never appear in a Gills shirt again, the club's supporters have made an impact on him.

He said: "The fans have been amazing, sometimes I feel like I am leaving home when I leave Gillingham. The supporters have been really close to me, I have had

## TIMELINE

### Chris Dickson

**2002** – As a 17-year-old, Dickson joins Erith & Belvedere in the Kent League, quickly progressing from the reserves into the first team

**2006** – After three seasons he moved up a division to join Ryman South side Dulwich Hamlet

**MARCH** – 31 goals in 35 games drew attention and he moved to Charlton Athletic for £35,000

**MAY** – Despite the Addicks' relegation from the Premiership, Dickson finished the season with seven goals in six reserve games for the club

**AUGUST 14** – Dickson makes his debut for the first team, coming on as a substitute in a Carling Cup tie

**AUGUST 18** – He makes the first of two appearances in an unsuccessful loan spell at Crewe Alexandra

**SEPTEMBER 20** – Joins Gillingham on an initial four-week deal, coming on as a substitute two days later in the 4-0 defeat at Nottingham Forest

**OCTOBER 9** – Scores a hat-trick on his first start as Gills beat Luton Town 4-3 in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy

**OCTOBER 27** – Scores a last-minute winner as Gills beat Bristol Rovers 3-2

**DECEMBER 4** – Scores twice against Crewe to help end Gills' eight-month winless streak away from Priestfield

**DECEMBER 8** – Scores his 11th goal in as many games in the home defeat to Port Vale

**TUESDAY** – Included in Ghana squad

**FRIDAY** – Recalled to Charlton and goes straight into squad for game against Hull City

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lots of Christmas cards coming through."

Since scoring a hat-trick against Luton Town on his first start in October, he has scored half Gillingham's goals. Fans may fear a downturn in results after his departure, but Dickson believes the squad are good enough and in Stimson they have a boss capable of turning it round.

He said: "They are more of a unit now. Everything seems more solid. He has his own ideas and everything is fresh. He brought in non-league players which everyone was talking about, but they've shown they have talent."

"I know from January the manager probably has ideas to bring in more for the second half of the season but there is definitely enough talent here to get the team up the table. A play-off place is realistic."

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